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SCHOOL REPORT.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

SILAS L. MORSE, Chairman.....Term expires 1908
C. A. LANCASTER, Purchasing Agt..Term expires 1909
F. E. SWEETSIR, Secretary.....Term expires 1910

MELVILLE A. STONE.....Superintendent

TEACHERS.

CHARLES W. CUTTS.....Principal High School
SUSANNA I. SAYRE.....First Assistant
LOUISE THACHER.....Second Assistant
CHAS. E. PERKINS....3d Asst. and Principal 9th Grade
ELLEN T. MORRISON.....7th and 8th Grades
A. MABELLE WARNER...Assistant 7th and 8th Grades
MARY H. HEAD.....5th and 6th Grades
FLORENCE I. HAMBLETT.....4th and 5th Grades
JULIA M. NOYES.....3d Grade
S. BLANCHE CUNNINGHAM.....Primary
ANNIE M. SARGENT.....Merrimacport
MARY A. HUGHES.....Bear Hill
WILLIAM E. HARTWELL.....Supervisor of Music
EDITH AMES.....Supervisor of Drawing

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

We hereby respectfully submit the report for the past year, together with those of the Superintendent, the Principal of the High School and the teachers of Drawing and Music, all of which have been adopted.

The School Committee organized after the March Town meeting with

REV. S. L. MORSE, Chairman,
F. E. SWEETSIR, Secretary,
C. A. LANCASTER, Purchasing Agent.

At a meeting of the Joint Committee, held in the Committee room of the Reading High School in April, it was voted that our union with Reading and Topsfield in employing a Superintendent be dissolved at the close of the fiscal year, September 1, 1907.

The committees representing the towns of Reading and Merrimac formed a new union, and elected Mr. Melville A. Stone, Superintendent, Reading to have three days of his time at a salary of \$1,120 and Merrimac two days, paying therefor \$580. In the consummation of this union we considered ourselves fortunate as about all the towns in the State had already formed unions.

At the opening of the schools after the Easter recess, it was plainly seen that an assistant was needed for the rooms of the primary and 7th and 8th grades. After consultation

with the Superintendent, it was voted to engage Mrs. Ellen T. Morrison of Alfred, Maine, as assistant to Miss Phelps and Miss Cunningham.

The graduation exercises of both the High and Grammar Schools in June we feel need to be commended by your committee. We believe that having the pupils participate on such occasions creates a greater interest on the part of pupils and parents than the heretofore stereotype addresses of the imported speakers.

At the close of the schools in June, the resignations of Miss Lilla Phelps, Miss Harriett A. Baxter and Miss Nettie J. Spofford (all of whom have done excellent work for our schools) were received and accepted. The vacancies were filled by Mrs. Ellen T. Morrison, Miss Christine Ross of Lynnfield, and Miss Mabel Lowrey of Swampscott.

During the summer recess the schoolhouses were cleaned and made sanitary. At the High School your committee feel that perfect sanitary arrangements have been installed under the specifications submitted and approved by the State Board of Health. At the first it was planned to place the closets in the main cellar, but after carefully considering the objections it was finally decided to excavate under the vestibule of the building, and build a retaining wall and install the closets, lavatory and urinal therein, which plan separates and creates a privacy that would have been impossible under the original plan. What has been done at the High School we feel that it is only a question of time when similar sanitary improvements must be made at the Centre and Prospect Street Schools.

Owing to an increased number of pupils electing mechanical drawing in the High School it became necessary to provide a separate room for this special work. Your com-

mittee had a portion of the upper hall-way set apart and made into a room. Suitable tables and chairs have been placed therein. This addition has made the appointments of the school very satisfactory.

Your committee received a bill for rental of land adjoining the Prospect Street School lot, covering a period of three years at \$15.00 per year, from the George W. Sargent Estate. After careful consideration, we referred the matter to the Board of Selectmen, stating that it would be better to submit the matter of purchase or rental of said land to the annual Town meeting rather than establish the precedent of paying the bill from the School Fund.

When the schools opened in September it was found that the teacher elected to the 4th and 5th grades at the Prospect Street School had resigned her position to accept a school in Wakefield. Miss Florence I. Hamblett of Lowell, was chosen to fill the vacancy. Miss Lowrey, supervisor of drawing, resigned to accept a better position with the Town of Swampscott. Miss Mary C. Skinner of West Upton, was elected to the position. Miss Mabel Warner of Newton, was elected assistant teacher at the Centre School.

Owing to the influx of pupils in the primary grades it became necessary to open another room at the Centre School and place the third grade therein. Miss Julia M. Noyes of Haverhill, was elected and placed in charge.

It was regretted on the part of the committee, teachers and pupils that Miss Skinner decided to resign as supervisor of drawing at the Thanksgiving recess to accept a more lucrative position with the Abington Schools. Miss Edith Ames of Dedham, was elected to the vacancy.

Your committee desires, with much pleasure, to make mention of the two socials and entertainments given under

the auspices of the local Teachers' Association for the purpose of meeting the parents and others interested in our schools. We believe that more of these pleasant evenings should be given by the Association because they have a tendency to create an interest between the public, teachers, superintendent, and school officials that could not otherwise be obtained.

It is with deep regret that we record the death of Mr. Samuel Scofield, who filled the position of janitor at the Center School so acceptably that he had endeared himself to the pupils, teachers and school officials.

In conclusion, we feel that the schools were never in a better and more prosperous condition. Superintendent Stone is thoroughly alive to the situation and never spares himself nor hesitates to make known to your committee when and where extra effort should be placed to bring our schools to a higher standard and get better results from the scholars. We would call your thoughtful attention to that part of the Superintendent's report advocating an enlarged commercial course for the pupils of the High School. If this can be done without materially increasing the expense of said school, we think the time has come for the inauguration of such a course, and that these advantages should be given to pupils desiring such an education and who cannot afford to pay tuition in a business college or elsewhere.

Your committee estimates that the following amounts will be required for the maintenance of our schools the coming year :

Teachers' Salaries.....	\$6,157
Janitors	640
Superintendent	375
Transportation	500

Fuel	500
Books	300
Supplies	300
Repairs and Incidentals.....	350

Total \$9,122

Of this amount we shall expect to receive:

From the State Board of Charity.....	\$300
Dog Tax	140
State Fund	800
Account of Superintendent.....	525

Total \$1,765

Therefore, we have decided to ask that you appropriate for

General School Purposes.....	\$7,357
Transportation of Scholars.....	500
Superintendent	375

Total \$8,232

This will give your committee for the ensuing year the sum of \$9,997.

Respectfully submitted,

S. L. MORSE,
C. A. LANCASTER,
F. E. SWEETSIR,
School Committee.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Committee of Merrimac, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

In reporting upon the work of the schools I wish to express my thorough appreciation of the manner in which the citizens of Merrimac responded to the call for funds to improve the sanitation of the High School building. That urgent need has been met in a splendid way. Now that the High School is provided for in this matter, I would remind you of the need for improvement in the sanitary conditions at the Centre School.

Here caution in the matter of spending money upon this old building, either for sanitation or for heating is necessary, lest the State Police Board condemn the building.

Another need which affects the physical well-being of a number of pupils is an adjustable desk, which will allow a pupil of unusual size to be comfortably seated for work.

With the best arrangement possible with the desks now used a number of pupils will be found in cramped positions, which in the present condition of their growing bodies threatens distortion of one kind or another. I recommend in this connection that a few adjustable desks be purchased to relieve these pupils now suffering from this cause.

By means of light gymnastics and physical culture exercises we aim to give considerable attention to the physical

development of our children. This is the first and a very important demand of the growing child, that the physical conditions be made as comfortable as possible.

For the development of the higher natures of the children, the intellectual and the moral, we must also consider their environment, and so far as possible provide the means for a healthy growth of both mind and heart.

For this work the teacher is the most important factor, for no matter what may be the course of study outlined, unless the teacher appreciates his part in arousing in his pupils the strong desire to know the things offered as the subject matter, both for their own sake as information well worth having and for the sake of the power gained in their acquisition, the results are meagre for the time spent upon them. The teacher must lead, not drive; must inspire to one's best endeavor, not suffer the pupil to be discouraged over failure, either partial or complete. Severe dealing either with the tongue or the rod seldom yields good results.

The smiling face that indicates a real interest in all life, especially in the young life placed in charge, will secure a more healthy soul growth than any amount of moral teaching as commonly understood.

Plants thrive in the sunlight, so thrive the blossoming lives of the children when placed under the guidance of those who understand the pupils' needs and their own responsibilities.

Our teachers are doing well and are gaining in power to mould the lives of those entrusted to their care. One word may be said right here regarding the number of teachers employed now and last spring.

The increase in enrollment the last term has been almost wholly in the lower grades, so that it became necessary to

provide an extra room with an enrollment of about forty pupils of third grade and this called for another teacher. We are making good progress in bringing up the work in the grades to the eight-year standard.

The present ninth grade will be able to make a beginning upon some of the work of the High School course in the near future. The eighth grade will complete the work in Geography by the close of the year, so that they will be able to begin some High School subject still earlier in their ninth year. The seventh and sixth grades also show a gain that indicates an ability to fulfill their part of the plan.

As stated in my last report, this plan contemplates giving to the seventh and eighth grades forty weeks of school, the same as that now required by the High School.

One advantage to be gained from this plan is the introduction of the pupils to the broader range of subjects of the High School course, and even in case of those who may require five years for securing the diploma, the time spent here cannot fail to be a means of great gain in culture, and a general preparation for life. The adoption of the system of diploma points emphasizes the importance of carrying the work attempted to a certain degree of perfection from the first month of the course.

As stated in my last report, I feel that we are not giving to those who elect the commercial subjects a sufficient training to enable them to undertake the work in an ordinary business office.

At present we find fifteen of twenty Freshmen, twelve of fifteen Sophomores, four of fourteen Juniors and two of twelve Seniors, or thirty-three of sixty-one total enrollment, who have elected commercial work with no prospect of securing any preparation in Typewriting or Stenography.

This seems sufficient to indicate a demand for more preparation for the world of business and affairs.

There is a feeling on the part of some in every community that the schools of today are costing too much, and in case of a few that the High School especially is costing too much per pupil for the results secured. I mean this not as a criticism of the work that is done in our own High School, but referring in a general way to the objections raised to providing instruction in the secondary school for the benefit of all the youth between fourteen and eighteen years of age.

All over our country this argument is met with the answer, that the very stability of our National government and our standing in the industrial world demands that our youth and young men be trained to the fullest extent possible in all lines of civic, social and industrial life. Considering the per capita cost of the secondary schools in comparison with that of the elementary schools, we find it from fifty per cent. to one hundred per cent. more than the latter, according to the nature of the training given in the High School and the equipment needed for the same. But when we consider the efficiency in the ordinary business of life of the educated man who directs great enterprises or the educated, skilled artisan we find that the wage-earning power increases in almost exact proportion to the intellectual standard attained by the workers.

If this is true when considered from the industrial side alone, how much more is it true that the advantage lies with the policy of preparing as many as are fitted by nature for such development to enter upon their training for the various professions.

One strong reason why the State or the local communi-

ties should support schools for such training lies in the fact that so many who are well endowed by nature with the powers necessary to success in the various professional callings come from homes not blessed with sufficient means to undertake the struggle for such an education, so that the State secures for its higher service many a boy who otherwise would be unable to render his best service to society.

Without following this argument further, this is the question that interests everyone in this community who has a boy or a girl that ought to prepare for a business career, or who considers that those of varying ability and of diverse gifts ought to be considered equally with those who see a college career before them.

Are we doing justice to those who show fitness and a necessity for commercial work when we fail to provide for them the necessary equipment? Shall we deny to the large percentage of the school who elect commercial work at first the opportunity of rounding out their course so as to be ready for such positions as are frequently open to those of their age and educational qualifications, or shall we at an additional expense of about \$300 provide this instruction right here at home, as we now fit for college or normal school?

As stated before, more than half the present enrollment of the school have elected commercial branches, yet no provision is made for continuing their work so as to be ready for an ordinary commercial position, but at the expense of individual parents the work here must be supplemented at some institution out of town, a condition that many times results in more harm than good.

But this whole question is a matter for the voters and the patrons of the school to decide at the Town meeting.

If it appeals to our people as a wise course to pursue so that the necessary money is forthcoming, we shall be only too glad to do our best to carry out their wishes.

The course of study found inserted later indicates the work planned for the school and now carried out so far as teaching force will permit.

At the close of the school year, Miss Lilla M. Phelps tendered her resignation and so severed her connection with the Merrimac schools after thirteen years of faithful service. Mrs. Ellen T. Morrison, who was secured to assist her in the spring, was elected her successor, and Miss A. Mabelle Warner of Newton, N. H., was elected as assistant for both the grammar and the primary schools at the Centre.

At the Prospect School it was found necessary to grant a short leave of absence to Miss Harriett M. Baxter, who later decided that it was not wise for her to continue the work of teaching. For the spring, Miss Marcella Martin served as substitute teacher, and in August Miss Florence I. Hamblett was secured for the position.

After receiving at a late date the resignation of Miss Mabel E. Lowrey of Swampscott, who was elected supervisor of drawing, we at last secured the services of Miss Mary C. Skinner of West Upton, who was also engaged for similar work in Abington. At the Thanksgiving recess she resigned to accept more work at Abington, and it became necessary to secure another teacher for this work. Miss Edith B. Ames of Dedham, has been secured and as she also holds a similar position in West Newbury we hope that this arrangement will prove reasonably permanent. In case of such a subject as Drawing, the change in plans consequent upon a change of supervisor is a serious loss to the work,

All that was said a year ago regarding the value of a short course in Manual Training is equally true today, and the opportunity to open a Sloyd shop in the rear room of the Center School still stands, but if the necessary expense of securing the equipment proves the barrier to our progress in that direction, I recommend that under our supervisor of Drawing we introduce some of the Arts and Crafts work and at small additional salary secure the services of Miss Ames for an additional half-day, or two days in all.

Miss Ames is well equipped for this work, and it is very nicely carried on in connection with Drawing.

All work of this nature serves a double purpose of developing brain power and giving the pupils a correct notion of what constitutes an education. I may also include a third great advantage, that of toning up the moral fiber of the pupil as he exercises the patience and perseverance needed to make many of the articles attempted as well as when exercising special skill to make an article that shall serve some useful purpose or contribute special pleasure to the recipient of the gift.

This whole question of doing the most possible for the all-round development of our children while in school impresses one more and more with the great responsibility of the teacher and of all who direct the work.

Again, I call attention to the item in the financial report that shows our persistence in following up those who are guilty of abusing books and other property. A small fine promptly collected proves a great saving of books throughout the schools. Something has been done toward interesting the pupils in the care and humane treatment of animals.

As the work progresses, we expect to find a greater interest manifested in definite programs, and in a practical

working out of the principles taught.

The work of our pupils in gardening the past year was a very encouraging beginning. Wherein any failure was apparent we will try to avoid the same in future. This is a matter of slow growth and it requires time to derive the full benefit for the community.

It was encouraging to find the Town Improvement Society interested in this work, and I feel personally that just at this point is a fine opportunity for effecting a vital connection between our schools and the homes of the people.

The education of our children is a broader matter than the work secured with the use of text-books in school, and whatever may be done to strengthen the bond of sympathy between teacher and parent is sure to yield excellent results.

The special reports which follow will indicate the needs of our schools, as those in special charge of the work fully understand, and it is to be hoped that their plans may meet with your approval.

During the holiday vacation our hearts were saddened by the death of Mr. Samuel Scofield, who for a good number of years had served as janitor at the Center School. He had won the hearts of both young and old by his kind and cheerful words of greeting, and his uniformly faithful and accommodating service.

In closing this, my second annual report to you, I wish to express to you my sincere thanks for the hearty support you have given to my efforts to improve our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

MELVILLE A. STONE,

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my annual report as Principal of the High School.

The total attendance remains practically the same as for the past few years. The average attendance has been rather better than usual. The condition of the school in other respects is most hopeful. The standard of scholarship has gradually improved. The attitude of the pupils toward the work, and the ambition to do really good work is perhaps better today than ever before.

A radical change has been made in the course of study. All subjects save English and Music have been made elective. It is expected that this change will render the course much more effective, and hence will promote a higher grade of scholarship and make the school of greater service to a greater number. In making this change, some attention was given to expanding the business course. More time has been given to Business Arithmetic and also to Book-keeping. This seems to be in the direction of a popular demand. The course may very profitably be further extended, as much, in fact, as our resources and the limitations of other necessary subjects will permit.

The change in the program of studies has also made necessary an increase in the teaching force. This need has been met by assigning several classes to the Principal of the Grammar School. This arrangement does not adequately meet the demands of the school. The work of the school has expanded so that the full time of another teacher is required for the most successful conduct of it.

The increased facilities for the work in Drawing have greatly added to the efficiency of that very important work, and consequently to the interest in it. I should be very glad to have still more time given to Mechanical Drawing, for thereby I believe the preparation for scientific schools, or for industrial work, would be greatly strengthened.

Industrial education is assuming a very important position in the modern educational scheme. I am in hearty sympathy with this tendency. I believe we have unusual opportunities to accomplish something in this line for our boys, and that their interests and the interests of the community would be promoted thereby. For instance, I believe it to be possible and perfectly feasible to make arrangements with some of our public-spirited manufacturers, whereby a boy can spend a definite amount of time each day in a shop and under the direction of a skilled workman begin, at least, the learning of a trade such as carriage trimming, painting, body-making or blacksmithing. For the work thus done credit can be given towards a diploma. If there should be a demand for work of this character, the experiment, I believe, would be well worth trying.

The new piano, secured through the efforts of the school under the leadership and inspiration of Mr. Hartwell, is all that can be desired. It is a first-class instrument and in excellent condition. We were very fortunate to obtain it. In

this connection, I wish to acknowledge the gift of fifteen dollars for this object from Mr. C. A. Lancaster: Acknowledgment has previously been made of a gift of twenty dollars for the same purpose from the Alumni Association. By the will of Mrs. Poore, an excellent mineral cabinet, filled with a well-chosen collection of minerals, was left the school.

Steps have been taken by the Alumni Association towards providing suitable cases or shelves for our reference library. If this attempt succeeds, a long-felt want will have been provided for, and the thanks of the school and all interested in the school will be due the Association.

The improvements made in the sanitary conditions of the building are of the greatest importance.

The year has been one of marked changes and improvements. The total result of which has been a decided bettering of the school conditions, and, consequently, of the work. The general scholarship of the school is better today than ever before. It is probable that a larger percentage of the school are pursuing their course in the High School for a definite purpose, and for this reason are getting more out of their work. The spirit of the school is admirable, which has made the work in the school a pleasure.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation of the helpful and sympathetic co-operation of pupils, teachers and school officials in all that pertains to the interests of the High School. Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. CUTTS,

Principal of the High School.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

Haverhill, Mass., Jan. 20, 1908.

To Superintendent Stone and School Board of Merrimac:

With much pleasure and satisfaction I submit a brief report of the work of the schools of Merrimac as regards the branch that I have the honor to supervise. Conditions have greatly changed from what they were a few years ago. Then the special teacher of music had to devote a large part of his time in urging the children to accept and take part in the study of the subject; to impress upon them the great benefit and pleasure that they would derive from it in after years. Now the supervisor finds them ready and willing to sing from the moment he enters the school to the time he has to leave to keep appointments in other rooms. Indeed, I may add, that in many grades the children actually urge me to remain longer. To say that the music in the schools of this town is a success and that a constant improvement is manifest, is unnecessary, it seems to me, after noting the conditions that exist. Nothing short of success in the study of any subject can come from so genuine and hearty a response from the children.

A special teacher can bring no new idea or scheme at each visit—no new story for the boys and girls—as in many

other branches of school work, but must insist upon the working out of the same old lines year after year in as great a variety of ways as possible. One can learn the principles of reading music in a very few lessons, and acquire a small measure of success, but it requires many years of practice to work up to perfection if, indeed, it be possible.

A special teacher must have the entire co-operation of the regular teachers in order to accomplish very much in music; that is, the pupils must be under good discipline and the recommendations of the supervisor carefully executed. It requires unlimited patience and perseverance to successfully teach music, and much tact to do so without sacrificing the interest of the children. I am pleased to note that the teachers of Merrimac have these requisites in a large degree, and I wish to thank them for the very painstaking assistance given.

In past years I have recommended that the pupils be marked in music as in other studies, and that none be excused from taking part. I am gratified to say that this is being done by the teachers, and am confident that it has contributed in no small degree toward the high standing of your schools today. Of course, all people cannot become good singers, but there is no reason why they should not acquire a fair knowledge of the principles of reading, and be required to manifest in some way their proficiency.

Many of the best educators of the day are recognizing the value of music study in the schools, and not a few are recommending the use of the songs learned to promote the work of other branches; that is, take two or three minutes as often as feasible and sing a favorite selection between the periods of other studies, making it more a part of the school life, as it certainly ought to be.

The pupils of the High School have frequently appeared before the public as entertainers, and need no word from me to show the appreciation to which they are entitled. The people of Merrimac ought to be proud of their High School, and I am satisfied that they are, and justly so. The pupils certainly have done themselves great credit in whatever branch they have appeared, either musical or literary, and I still look for even better things from them in the future. The school now has a very fine piano, having used the fund which all have been working for during the past three years in its purchase. No better instrument occupies a place in any High School in this vicinity, and it is greatly appreciated by pupils and teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. E. HARTWELL,

Supervisor of Music.

DRAWING.

It is too early in my experience with Merrimac pupils to tell of what I have accomplished with them, but it is due to my predecessor to state I found the work well started along the line.

It was especially satisfactory to find that mechanical drawing had been extended in the High School and that so many pupils had taken it up with an evident purpose to derive all the advantage possible from it.

In these days, a knowledge of drawing, both free hand and mechanical is so necessary that we cannot urge too great a number of pupils to make the most of the opportunities offered.

The High School classes in free hand work are showing an appreciation that is encouraging.

In the grades the pupils show a good degree of interest and their ability will increase according to the interest aroused.

As an aid to the work in drawing, I recommend some of the Arts and Crafts work which will offer opportunity for applying the knowledge and skill in drawing to making the variety of designs to be worked out by other processes.

The custom of making designs for covers of booklets, serves the double purpose of impressing on the pupil the

value of a knowledge of drawing, also of considering that such efforts upon school work are worthy of the care thus taken of the results of their special work.

With interest thus far shown by the pupils, without doubt, we shall be able to make great gains for the remainder of the year, and I would suggest that an exhibit towards the close of the year would serve as a healthful stimulus to many of the pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH B. AMES,

Supervisor of Drawing.

SCHOOL CALENDAR.

March 27—Winter term closes.

April 6—Spring term begins.

June 26—Spring term closes.

Sept. 8—Fall term begins.

After each period of ten weeks, one week of vacation will be given. This arrangement will bring the weeks of vacation: Nov. 16-20, Jan., '09, 25-29; April 12-16.

SESSIONS.

At the High School building the schools will be in session from 8.15 A. M. to 1.15 P. M. regularly Monday to Friday inclusive.

At all other schools the sessions continue from 8.45 to 11.45 A. M., and from 1.30 to 3.30 P. M. for the same days and weeks as indicated above.

HOLIDAYS—For all schools. Thanksgiving Day and the day following. Washington's Birthday, Patriots' Day and Memorial Day.

NO SESSION SIGNAL.

Two blasts repeated twice at 7.30 a. m. means no session in the forenoon.

Two blasts repeated twice at 12.30 p. m. means no session in the afternoon.

MERRIMAC HIGH SCHOOL.

GRADUATES, 1907.

Classical Course—Marguerite Elizabeth Greeley, Sarah Anne Pease, Luella Young.

Scientific Course—Carl Ferdinand Lockwood, Everett Brackett Russell.

English Course—Mary Louise Fitzgerald, George Alfred Follonsbee, Morgan Francis Meehan, Martha Pease.

MERRIMAC GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

GRADUATES, 1907.

Helen J. Minahan, Gladys F. Finn, Barbara N. Morrell, Annie MacDougall, Arthur W. Crosby, John W. Noone, G. Sidney Wood, Estella E. Heath, Ellen M. Crane, O. Rachel Loud, Winifred F. Jewell, Augustine F. Mahoney, Elinor G. Dalrymple, Eva B. Charbonneau, M. Marguerite Morse, Eva E. Bailey, Georgine H. Walker.

STATISTICS.

FROM STATE REPORT OF APRIL, 1907.

Population of town, census of 1905,	1884
Number of schools in town, Sept. 1906 to June 22, 1907,	10
Number of teachers employed including special teachers,	12
Whole number of pupils enrolled during the school year,	399

TABLE OF ENROLLMENT.

BETWEEN 5 AND 15 YEARS.				BETWEEN 7 AND 14 YEARS.		
Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Year.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
169	181	350	1899	126	155	281
193	184	377	1900	139	148	287
164	173	337	1901	112	112	224
187	179	366	1902	124	125	249
175	186	361	1903	129	128	257
177	177	354	1904	129	130	259
164	157	321	1905	125	121	246
167	151	318	1906	128	108	236
175	157	332	1907	138	123	261

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE AND OTHER DATA, FOR FOUR MONTHS ENDING DEC. 20, 1907.

SCHOOL.	GRADE.	TEACHERS.	WHERE EDUCATED.	Salary per Month	Total Membership	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Cases of Dismissal
High		Charles W. Cutts, Prin., Susanna I. Sayre, Louise A Thacher, Charles E. Perkins,	Bates College. Boston University. Boston University. Lemoin High School and Law Course.	\$120.00 45.00 40.00 65.00	65	61.6	59.9	97.2	85	100
	H. S. and Grade	Ellen T. Morrison, A. Mabelle Warner,	Gorham Normal. Lowell H. S.	45.00 42.50	33 63	32. 61.8	30.9 57.5	96.6 93.	17 16	11 11
Center	7 - 8									
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Prospect	6 - 5	Mary H. Head,	Merrimac H. S.	45.00	51	48.9	42.4	93.7	106	14
Prospect	5 - 4	Florence I. Hamblett,	Lowell Normal.	42.50	53	48.	45.	93.7	86	10
Center	3	Julia M. Noyes,	Haverhill H. S.	35.00	41	39.3	34.6	88.	83	11
Center	2 - 1	S. Blanche Cunningham,	Salem Normal.	47.50	50	47.8	42.4	88.7	35	0
Bear Hill	1 - 5	Mary A. Hughes,	Merrimac H. S.	37 50	16	14.9	14.1	94.6	22	2
Port	1-3-5-7	Annie M. Sargent, W. E. Hartwell,	Merrimac H. S. Holt's Nor. Music.	37.50 20.00	16	15.8	15.1	95.5	11	12
Music		Mary C. Skinner,	Boston Nor. Art.	27.00						
Drawing					388					

MERRIMAC HIGH SCHOOL

COURSES OF STUDY

General Course. College Group. Scientific Group. Normal Group.

FRESHMAN YEAR.

English	5	English	5	English	5	English	5
Latin	5	Latin	5	Latin	5	Latin	5
Algebra	5	Algebra	5	Algebra	5	Algebra	5
History	3	History	3	History	3	Drawing	1
Bus. Arith.	3			Drawing	1		
Drawing	1						

SOPHOMORE YEAR.

English	5	English	5	English	5	English	5
Latin	5	Latin	5	Latin	5	Latin	5
French	5	French	5	French	5	Geometry	5
Geometry	5	Geometry	5	Geometry	5	Physics	5
History	3	Physics	5	Physics	5	Drawing	1
Physics	5	History	3	History	3		
Bookkeeping	5			Drawing	1		
Drawing	1						

JUNIOR YEAR.

English	5	English	5	English	5	English	5
Latin	5	Latin	5	Latin	5	Latin	5
French	5	French	5	French	5	French	5
German	5	German	5	German	5	German	5
Mathematics	5	Mathematics	5	Mathematics	5	Mathematics	5
*Chemistry	5	Chemistry	5	Chemistry	5	Phys. Geog.	3
Phys. Geog.	3	History	3	History	3	History	3
History	3			Drawing	1	Drawing	1
Bookkeeping	5						
Drawing	1						

SENIOR YEAR.

English	5	English	5	English	5	English	5
Latin	5	Latin	5	Latin	5	Latin	5
French	5	French	5	French	5	French	5
German	5	German	5	German	5	German	5
Mathematics	5	Mathematics	5	Mathematics	5	Physiology	3
Com. Law	3	Physics	4	Physics	4	History	4
*Physics	4	Chemistry	4	Chemistry	4	Drawing	1
*Chemistry	4	History	4	History	4		
Physiology	3			Drawing	1		
History	4						
Drawing	1						

The figures at the right indicate the number of periods per week the subject occurs, and also the number of diploma points granted for a successful year's work in each subject.

* In advanced Physics and Chemistry, classes will include both Juniors and Seniors, the subjects being taken alternately.

Physical Geography or Commercial Geography with Commercial Law give three diploma points for the year.

EXPLANATION.

The general course as outlined includes all the subjects offered during the several years. From these the student is to elect studies aggregating at least nineteen points, five of which must be English, and one music. A total of seventy-six points must be secured before the diploma of the school will be granted. Owing to the varied requirements of the different colleges and scientific schools for admission, and the latitude of choice allowed even in the same college, it is impossible to lay down a fixed course for preparation for higher institutions. In the college, scientific, and normal groups, are presented the studies which are required for entrance into the various institutions for which our students prepare. From these groups may be elected the individual courses necessary to prepare for any college, scientific school, or normal school.

SCHOOL FINANCIAL ACCOUNT.

Order No.	Amount.
255 James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	\$689 68
256 James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	689 68
267 Merrimac Budget, printing and supplies	21 00
268 People's Furniture Co.	7 00
269 S. Scofield, repairs and incidentals	11 95
270 I. B. Little Co., incidentals	11 01
271 Sargent Coal Co., fuel	36 25
272 W, C, Bennett	2 05
273 John Muldoon	6 14
275 S. Scofield, incidentals	3 05
276 James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	731 68
277 I. B. Little & Co.	5 47
278 E. W. Roberts	9 93
279 S, Scofield	3 48
280 James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	733 31
281 Sargent Coal Co.	146 94
282 Merrimac Budget	12 55
283 W. C. Bennett	1 31
284 James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	729 68
285 James W. Bailey, excavating at H. S.	46 34
286 F. H. Trefethen	12 95
287 Milton Bradley Co., supplies	2 00
288 W. C. Bennett	2 56
289 Merrimac Budget	7 50
290 Col. C. R. Mudge Post, G. A. R. hall	2 00
291 S. Scofield	4 60
292 C. W. Cutts	1 75
293 James W. Bailey, H. S. work pay roll	53 01

294	Merrimac Budget, printing	22 50
295	Leslie Drygoods Co., ribbons for diplomas	1 33
296	I. B. Little Co., supplies	3 04
297	Sargent Coal Co.	423 51
298	James W. Bailey, H. S. work pay roll	26 56
299	James W. Bailey, H. S. work pay roll	19 81
300	James W. Bailey, H. S. work pay roll	26 29
301	James W. Bailey, H. S. work pay roll	57 40
302	F. H. Trefethen, cleaning school	35 00
303	James W. Bailey, H. S. work	17 14
304	Chas. W. Chapman, H. S. work, masonry	50 00
305	A. O. Nicol, sand and gravel at H. S.	18 75
306	Oran W. Burke, cleaning at Bear Hill	5 00
307	Michael Connors, cleaning vaults	5 00
308	O. F. Bennett, H. S.	550 00
309	John Roch, H. S. brick	100 00
310	Chas. Chapman, H. S. work	82 35
311	F. H. Trefethen, H. S. work	84 25
312	F. H. Trefethen	20 25
313	Penn. Metal Ceiling & Roofing Co., H. S.	12 80
314	Julia Whaland, cleaning Prospect school	10 75
315	S. Scofield, repairs and cleaning Center school	51 77
316	James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	769 18
317	Melville A. Stone, traveling expenses and incidentals	16 69
318	Milton Bradley Co., supplies	11 93
319	C. F. Winchester, supplies	11 35
320	E. Babb & Co., supplies	9 65
321	Ginn & Co., supplies	6 97
322	F. J. Barnard & Co., repairs of books	36 18
323	American Express Co.	2 33
324	E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	10 23
325	I. B. Little & Co., incidentals	54 62
326	E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	2 25
327	Atkinson Mentzer & Grover, supplies	17 37
328	W. E. & J. F. Twombly, printing	2 58
329	Milton Bradley Co., supplies	14 69

330	J. L. Hammett Co., supplies	75
331	F. J. Barnard & Co., books	1 25
332	D. C. Heath & Co., books	24 19
333	Chas. Scribner's Sons, books	13 64
334	American Book Co., supplies	33 86
335	James C. Pease, pay roll	800 18
336	American Book Co., books	21 22
337	Little & Larkin, supplies	6 40
338	Chase Brothers, supplies	2 00
339	F. E. Sweetsir	20
340	Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover, supplies	8 95
341	E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	22 26
342	James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	787 68
343	Treasurer of Town of Topsfield, account of supertendent	250 00
344	F. H. Trefethen, drawing room	41 00
345	Milton Bradley Co., supplies	4 75
346	E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	3 00
347	W. C. Burnett, repairs	10 68
348	Mrs. J. V. Whaland, cleaning	1 15
349	Robert E. Farra, repairs	2 50
350	Ellen M. Sargent, cleaning	8 00
351	Harriet A. Baxter, picture frame	2 00
352	S. B. Cunningham, supplies	2 79
353	Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover, supplies	14 40
354	E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	14 00
355	C. W. Cutts, supplies	14 29
356	American Book Co., supplies	14 40
357	Sargent Coal Co., fuel	17 50
358	Fred W. Peabody, work on pianos	2 50
359	City of Haverhill, tuition	10 00
360	Taylor Goodwin	68 10
361	Merrimac Budget	6 00
362	I. B. Little Co.	2 61
363	S. Scofield	4 50
364	James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	617 77
365	W. E. Hartwell, on piano	2 30
366	Ernest Collins, repairs	4 90

367	Zenas Lovell, supplies	11 76
368	F. E. Sweetsir, incidentals	1 80
369	F. E. Williams, repairs	4 50
370	O. F. Bennett	3 95
371	Jas. C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	7 08 51
372	Silas L. Morse, traveling expenses and school census	30 53
373	G. G. Davis	1 00
374	T. L. Goodwin	3 15
375	Little & Co.	1 20
376	John B. Heath	4 39
377	Houghton, books	19 42
378	Milton Bradley Co., supplies	14 00
379	E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	8 70
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		\$9,989 12
Check paid Town of Topsfield, acct. super- intendent		250 00
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Total		\$10,239 12

Of the above amount there was expended the following amounts for sanitary improvements at the High School:

Paid—

James W. Bailey, for excavating and grading	\$189 15
F. H. Trefethen, carpenter work, lumber, etc.	141 65
C. W. Chapman, mason work	132 35
O. F. Bennett, plumbing	550 00
John Roach, brick	100 00
Penn. Metal Ceiling & Roofing Co.,	12 80
I. B. Little Co., hardware	13 73
A. O. Nicol, sand and gravel	18 75
Taylor Goodwin Co., lime and cement	68 10
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Total	\$1,226 53

MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FUND.

Order No.

1	James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	\$37 50
2	James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	37 50
3	Silver, Burdett & Co., supplies	42 53
4	D. C. Heath & Co., supplies	14 94
5	Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover	50 79
6	B. W. Hayes, maps	3 00
7	Milton Bradley Co., supplies	34 12
8	J. L. Hammett Co., supplies	4 20
9	Ginn & Co., supplies	13 77
10	E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	6 80
11	Houghton, Mifflin & Co., supplies	4 84
12	American Book Co., supplies	11 72
13	Ginn & Co., supplies	16 19
14	James C. Pease, pay roll	37 50
15	Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover, supplies	27 00
16	James C. Pease, pay roll	35 00
17	D. C. Heath & Co., supplies	11 97
18	American Book Co., supplies	51
19	James C. Pease, pay roll	32 50
20	May Frost, reference books	25 00
21	Eagle Pencil Co., supplies	13 80
22	Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover, supplies	1 28
23	Thompson, Brown & Co., supplies	3 54
24	Heward & Brown,	7 74
25	American Book Co., supplies	64
26	F. J. Barnard & Co., repairs of books	6 50
27	Houghton, Mifflin & Co., supplies	77
28	Silver, Burdett & Co., supplies	13 15

29	James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	37 50	
30	Thompson, Brown & Co., supplies	3 54	
31	Chase Bros., supplies	4 50	
32	Eagle Pencil Co., supplies	6 65	
33	James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	37 50	
34	James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	37 50	
35	James C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	28 14	
36	Bailey Sargent, insurance	55 30	
37	John E. Currier	30 71	
38	Amesbury Hardware	2 00	
39	I. B. Little	70	
40	Milton Bradley Co., supplies	1 55	
41	Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, supplies	28 07	
42	Jas. C. Pease, Treas., pay roll	31 85	
43	Melville A. Stone	36 60	
44	The American Humane Society	12 05	
45	Kenney Brothers & Wolfkins	7 00	
46	Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	2 68	
Total			\$858 68

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor.

JAMES W. BAILEY,	Term Expires March, 1908
OLIVER W. JORDAN,	Term expires March, 1909
FRANK E. BARTLETT,	Term expires March, 1910

Clerk.

BAILEY SARGENT.

Treasurer.

JAMES C. PEASE.

Collector of Taxes.

JOHN S. CLEMENT.

Water Commissioners and Municipal Light Board.

WARREN A. BAILEY,	Term expires March, 1908
GEORGE T. WALKER,	Term expires March, 1909
CHARLES A. LANCASTER,	
	Term expires March, 1910

Registrars of Voters.

JAMES T LOCKE,	CHARLES E. ROWELL,
BAILEY SARGENT,	FRANK F. PHILBRICK.

Engineers of Fire Department.

JOHN W. J. GRO CUT, HARRY W. HALE,
WILLIAM S. TUCKWELL.

Superintendent of Streets,
JAMES W. BAILEY,

Constables,

JOHN J. MINAHAN, CLARENCE O. LIBBY.

School Committee.

SILAS L. MORSE, Term expires March, 1908
CHARLES A. LANCASTER,
Term expires March, 1909
FRED E. SWEETSIR, Term expires March, 1910

Trustees of Public Library.

JAMES F. PEASE, Term expires March, 1908
CHARLES W. SAWYER, Term expires March, 1908
GEORGE E. RICKER, Term expires March, 1909
CHARLES W. CUTTS, Term expires March, 1909
THOMAS H. HOYT, Term expires March, 1910
WILLIAM B. SARGENT, Term expires March, 1910

Trustees of Cemeteries.

GEORGE G. LARKIN, Term expires March, 1908
CHARLES E. ROWELL, Term expires March, 1909
CHARLES A. LANCASTER,
Term expires March, 1910

Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark.

JOHN E. CURRIER, CHARLES EMERY HOYT,
GEORGE A. SARGENT.

Weighers of Coal and Measurers of Grain.

BYRON H. SARGENT, EDWARD H. PREBLE,
ANNIE A. WELLS.

Fence Viewer.

WILLARD B. KELLEY.

Auditor.

FREDERICK C. GRANT.

Field Driver.

CHARLES H. STAPLES.

Inspector of Animals.

JOHN J. WOODMAN.

Fish and Game Wardens.

FRED O. BAILEY, HARRY A. PEASE.

Sealers of Weights and Measures.

B. FRANK SMITH, HENRY C. MANNING.

Fire Wardens.

GEORGE A. SARGENT, EDWARD S. McKAY,
WILLARD B. KELLEY, JOHN K. SARGENT.

Burial Agents.

CHARLES A. BRIDGES, AUSTIN A. TRULL.

APPROPRIATIONS

For the Year Ending January 31, 1908.

General School Purposes,	\$7,200 00
Transportation of Pupils,	500 00
Superintendent of Schools,	375 00
Soldiers' Relief,	200 00
Support of Poor,	1,400 00
Highways and Bridges,	1,400 00
Memorial Day,	75 00
Interest,	600 00
Discount,	800 00
Payment of Macadam Road Note,	500 00
Miscellaneous,	450 00
Browntail and Gypsey Moths,	253 34
Oil Lamps, Church and Bear Hill Streets,	35 00
Sprinkling Road,	100 00
Removing Snow and Washouts,	500 00
Sidewalks and Crossings,	200 00
Care of Cemeteries,	50 00
Tree Warden,	50 00
Fire Department,	1,200 00
Public Library,	300 00
Street Lights, Sargent Hall, etc.,	1,995 41
Hydrants, Watering Troughs, etc.,	1,825 00
Maintenance, Water Department,	1,407 93
Additional Lights, Church Street,	105 00
Electric Light, Pleasant Street Port,	47 00
Town Officers Salaries (including Night Watch),	2,100 00
Increase of Town Clerk's Salary,	25 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

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Extension of Com'l Wire to Port,	300 00	
Improving Sanitary Conditions of School-		
houses,	1,000 00	
Additional Appropriation for Library,	100 00	
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		\$25,093 68
Extension of Electric Light Plant,		6,000 00
Railing Special,		400 00
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		\$31,493 68

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

TOWN OFFICERS.

James W. Bailey, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor,	\$215 00
Oliver W. Jordan, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor,	75 00
Frank E. Bartlett, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor,	75 00
Bailey Sargent, town clerk,	75 00
James C. Pease, treasurer,	75 00
John S. Clement, collector of taxes,	300 00
F. O. Davis, auditor,	25 00
Frank F. Philbrick, registrar,	15 00
Bailey Sargent, registrar,	25 00
James T. Locke, registrar,	15 00
Charles E. Rowell, registrar,	15 00
John J. Woodman, inspector of animals,	50 00
John J. Minahan, chief of police and night watch,	882 00
Clarence O. Libby, special police,	25 00
Fred O. Bailey, special police,	25 00
Fred E. Sweetsir, school committee,	50 00
Silas L. Morse, school committee,	25 00
Henry C. Manning, sealer of weights and measures,	40 25
Martin B. Crane, special police,	8 00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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Ralph H. Sargent, moderator, March meeting,	5 00	
Clifton B. Heath, election officer,	6 00	
Fred P. Clement, election officer,	6 00	
James T. Young, election officer,	6 00	
Roswell J. Eaton, election officer,	6 00	
Frank E. Bartlett, election officer,	3 00	
James W. Bailey, election officer,	3 00	
Charles H. Staples, election officer,	3 00	
Oliver W. Jordan, election officer,	3 00	
Martin B. Crane, election officer,	3 00	
William M. Chase, election officer,	3 00	
Henry C. Manning election officer,	3 00	
Thomas L. Goodwin, election officer,	3 00	
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		\$2,068 25
Unexpended,		81 75
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		\$2,150 00
Appropriation,	\$2,125 00	
Due from State acct. inspector of animals,	25 00	
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		\$2,150 00

POOR DEPARTMENT.

Howard Parker.

St. Mary's Infant Asylum, board,	\$77 13
Childrens' Aid Society, board,	24 00

\$101 13

Mrs. George F. Mason.

R. H. Morrill, rent,	\$62 00
F. E. Bartlett, expense,	2 00

\$64 00

Mrs. C. B. Martin.

City of Salem, supplies,	\$80 90
F. E. Bartlett, expense,	2 00

\$82 90

Mrs. J. E. Handley.

Zenas Lovell & Co., supplies,	\$22 05
Sargent Coal Co., supplies,	5 75
Pentucket Shoe Store, supplies,	4 05

\$31 85

Kate McCabe.

Town of Amesbury 2-5, board, '06, '07,	\$83 20
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\$83 20

Mary Mumler.

City of Worcester, board and care,	37 14
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\$37 14

Arthur Stewart, City of Boston.

Sargent Coal Co., supplies,	\$12 05
Preble Bros., supplies,	23 19
G. G. Davis, hack hire,	6 00
E. S. Whitney, bread,	7 20
C. E. Durant, M. D., operation,	30 00
A. H. Peirce, M. D., medical attendance,	30 00
H. L. Conner, M. D., medical attendance,	5 00
A. P. Ordway, milk,	6 05

\$119 49

M. Burke.

Zenas Lovell & Co., supplies,	\$53 04
W. B. Kelly, supplies,	45 97
Sargent Coal Co., supplies,	37 08
G. A. Titcomb, supplies,	48 19
F. E. Sweetsir, M. D., med. attendance,	22 00
F. L. Parker, medicine,	12 45

\$218 73

Ann Waining.

Mrs. K. C. Haseltine, board and supplies,	\$213 00
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\$213 00

Velma Brown, State of Massachusetts.

John F. Stewart, care and board,	24 00
G. G. Davis, horse hire,	1 50
F. E. Sweetsir, M. D., med. attendance,	14 00
F. L. Parker, medicine,	3 15

\$42.65

Wesley Gardner, Town of Rowley.

Sargent Coal Co., supplies,	85
A. P. Ordway, milk,	42
F. L. Parker, supplies,	1 50

\$2 77

William Davis.

Kempton Co., supplies,	\$1 50
Pentucket Shoe Store, supplies,	2 50

\$4 00

John Scanlon.

Zenas Lovell & Co., supplies,	\$2 34
John Donahue, nursing,	3 00
H. A. Geoffrey, rent,	9 00
Sargent Coal Co., supplies,	2 00
G. A. Titcomb, supplies,	63
A. O. Kinsman, supplies,	1 43
Fred L. Parker, supplies,	85

\$19 25

Mrs. Hannah Allison.

William Trudeau, board,	\$28 75
Mrs. C. C. Witham, board and supplies,	124 89
A. H. Peirce, M. D., medical attendance,	4 25
Little & Co., supplies,	5 25
W. A. Cleary, D. D. S., extracting teeth,	4 00

\$167 14

Albert Abbott, State of Massachusetts.

Sargent Coal Co., supplies,	2 50
Preble Bros., supplies,	56 29
G. A. Titcomb, supplies,	35 12
E. S. McKay, supplies,	18 96
Pentucket Shoe Store, supplies,	90
F. L. Parker, supplies,	9 54
J. W. Bailey, expense,	17 64
F. E. Sweetsir, M. D., med. attendance,	78 00
A. G. Sturdivant, moving furniture,	1 25
Economy Co-operative Bank, rent,	10 00
I. B. Little Co., supplies,	75

\$230 95

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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Mrs. J. Doyle.

Zenas Lovell & Co., supplies,	\$43 23
Sargent Coal Co., supplies,	13 75
G. A. Titcomb, supplies,	38 31
H. N. Clough, rent,	36 00

 \$131 29

Mrs. L. A. Kendrick.

T. M. Sargent, board,	\$117 00
Mrs. L. M. Conover, board,	42 00

 \$159 00

 \$1,708 49

Unexpended,

87 37

 \$1,795 86

Appropriation,	\$1,400 00
Due from State,	273 60
Due from City of Boston,	119 49
Rec. and Due from Town of Rowley,	2 77

 \$1,795 86

 SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Otis Currier.

W. O. Junkins, M. D., med. attendance,	\$39 00
Mrs. Geo. Lane, board and supplies,	45 10
Oliver W. Ham, undertaker,	65 00
John B. Heath & Son, moving body and burial,	5 00
Chas. A. Bridges, burial agent,	2 00

 \$156 10

George B. Brown.

Mrs. George B. Hunt, nursing,	15 00
A. H. Peirce, M. D., med. attendance,	9 00

\$24 00

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Currier.

Abbie M. Worcester, nursing,	\$96 00
F. L. Parker, supplies,	2 00
F. E. Sweetser, M. D., med. attendance,	95 50

\$193 50

Clarrissa J. Frye.

Sargent Coal Co., fuel,	\$17 00
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\$17 00

Total,		\$390 60
Appropriation,	\$200 00	
Due from E. W. Currier Est.,	193 50	
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	\$393 50	
Expended,	390 60	
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Unexpended balance,	\$2 90	

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

James W. Bailey, superintendent, labor	\$149 75
J. D. Jones, labor	34 89
H. O. Blaisdell, labor	22 89
Theodore Grant, labor	36 00
Oren Burke, labor	44 44
A. G. Flower, labor	118 33
E. Goodwin, labor	87 44
D. Bunker, labor	61 66
Wm. Morrow, labor	60 44
Geo. Blaisdell, labor	9 11
W. Sargent, labor	8 00
C. E. Hoyt, labor	2 22
W. Young, labor	17 00
F. Deland, labor	33 22
Roy Bailey, labor	2 89
Herbert Bailey, labor	16 22
J. Handley, labor	2 22
F. E. Bartlett, labor	10 00
J. E. Gibson, labor	2 00
Moses Bailey, labor	1 33
J. T Crosby, labor	4 00
G. H. Gilday, labor	3 11
H. Crosby, labor	4 00
W. Goldsmith, labor	3 11
I. M. Gould, labor	8 00
O. W. Jordan, labor	67
E. W. Roberts, labor	19 58

\$762 52

TEAMS.

L. B. Blaisdell,	\$43 25	
E. Emerson	114 70	
O. Sargent	87 85	
J. K. Sargent	11 00	
W. Thompson	21 25	
Chas. E. Hoyt	25 00	
G. G. Davis	61 57	
C. H. Staples	49 75	
A. O. Nicol	29 00	
E. Morse	8 50	
G. W. Sargent's Sons	18 00	
J. T. Crosby	21 75	
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		\$491 62

STONE AND GRAVEL.

L. B. Blaisdell	\$3 50	
J. T. Crosby	4 00	
Mrs. I. Hughes	6 00	
A. O. Nicol	10 00	
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		\$23 50
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		\$1,277 64

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

G. G. DAVIS, Superintendent.

G. G. Davis, tools and expense	\$7 58
W. W. Lydston Est., tools	10 23

JAMES W. BAILEY, Superintendent.

W. W. Gormley, stock and labor	\$6 50
E. W. Roberts, stock and labor	32 03
Ames Plow Co., tools	9 07

G. G. Davis, horse hire	2 50	
A. G. Sturdivant, freighting	50	
N. L. How, labor and stock	24 10	
Mass. Broken Stone Co.	178 80	
F. W. Carter sharpening tools	1 45	
I. B. Little Co., supplies	5 32	
F. C. Williams, stock and labor	7 00	
Bion Green, tile	3 00	
Waldo Bros., grates	28 80	
C. W. Chapman, stock and labor	26 03	
T. L. Goodwin, stock and labor	5 00	
Waterman & Leavitt, motor vehicles, signs	4 00	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	1 07	
J. E. Currier, tile	99 61	
American Express Co., express	40	
Zenas Lovell & Co., supplies	6 02	
City of Haverhill, 1-6 expense	77 77	
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		\$536 78
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		\$1,814 42

Appropriation	\$1,400 00	
Trustees Locust Grove Cemetery, stone	40 10	
From Pine street abutters	55 00	
Sales of grass	2 00	
Excise tax	311 67	
Overdrawn	5 65	
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		\$1,814 42

SNOW AND WASHOUTS.

G. G. DAVIS, Superintendent.

G. G. Davis	\$22 50
G. G. Davis, team and man	16 20
C. Melvin	40
Harland Towle	40
Harry Blaisdell	4 70
G. W. White	1 60
Chester Carter	2 80
W. W. Sargent	5 20
Will Stevens	5 50
C. A. Stevens	6 60
J. H. Foster	4 20
L. E. Bailey	5 20
W. H. Thompson	4 00
E. F. Goodwin	13 80
D. Bunker	10 80
Carl Lockwood	90
L. B. Blaisdell and team	23 60
L. B. Blaisdell, 1 horse	2 00
D. Willis	4 20
J. D. Jones	6 10
A. G. Flower	27 80
E. Emerson	18 68
E. Emerson	6 40
A. O. Nicol and team	7 60
A. O. Nicol and one man	3 00
O. Sargent and team	66 00
O. Sargent and 1 man	2 00
G. F. Kendrick	1 00

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L. B. Davis	2 00
E. W. Morse	6 10
T. Grant	9 70
J. J. Woodman	6 30
Perry Marshall	9 90
Geo. E. Kittredge	4 80
R. W. Hammond	2 50
M. W. Thompson and team	6 40
J. Crosby and team	2 40
E. C. Walker and team	4 50
W. S. Sargent	2 30
L. Crosby	2 50
H. Webster	80
Fred Thurlow	30
Louis Graham	80
Fred S. Heath	4 80
Geo. H. Battis	9 20

\$348 48

JAMES W. BAILEY, Superintendent.

Team Account.

G. W. Sargent's Sons	\$6 62
L. B. Blaisdell	35 39
O. Sargent	8 50
E. Emerson	2 97
C. H. Staples	9 00
A. O. Nicol	6 50
H. O. Blaisdell	10 74
G. G. Davis	88

Labor Account.

James W. Bailey	\$10 00
J. D. Jones	78
O. Burke	1 56
A. G. Flower	6 11
E. Goodwin	4 00

E. Emerson	2 99	
H. Emerson	78	
L. B. Blaisdell	89	
F. O. Bailey	3 77	
G. H. Gilday	3 55	
M. Bailey	3 77	
H. Bailey	89	
C. H. Staples	4 89	
H. Webster	44	
E. Webster	44	
A. O. Kinsman	88	
Wm. Morrow	3 66	
M. Travis	56	
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		\$107 42
Miscellaneous Bills.		
L. B. Blaisdell, gravel	\$3 20	
I. B. Little Co., supplies	1 00	
J. B. Health, stock and labor	3 41	
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		\$7 61
Unexpended		36 49
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		\$500 00
Appropriation		\$500 00

HYDRANTS AND WATERING TROUGHS.

Paid James C. Pease, treasurer	\$1,825 00	
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Appropriation		\$1,825 00

RAILING DEPARTMENT.

Pay Roll.

James W. Bailey, superintendent	\$21 50	
F. O. Bailey, labor	26 77	
O. W. Jordan, labor	44 44	
I. A. Williams, labor	36 44	
M. Bailey, labor	30 78	
A. G. Flower, labor	11 56	
H. Sargent, labor	22	
G. H. Gilday, labor	34 66	
E. L. Jewell, labor	9 54	
E. F. Goodwin, labor	23 67	
D. Bunker, labor	16 43	
Wm. Morrow, labor	16 67	
H. O. Blaisdell, labor	2 78	
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		\$275 46

Teams.

G. W. Sargent's Sons	\$14 00	
Charles H. Staples	4 50	
A. O. Nicol	4 00	
G. G. Davis	5 55	
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		\$28 05

Miscellaneous Bills.

W. W. Lydston Est., supplies	55	
Walworth Manufacturing Co., supplies	\$13 43	
J. W. Bailey, supplies	37	
G. W. Sargent's Sons, cedar posts	15 00	

Bion Green, freight	3 61	
Bailey & Howieson, supplies	1 00	
I. B. Little Co., supplies	91	
J. E. Currier, lumber	11 15	
A. Seaman, piping	134 50	
F. C. Williams, stock and labor	75	
A. G. Sturdivant, teaming	35	
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		\$181 62
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		\$485 13
Appropriation	\$400 00	
Overdrawn	85 13	
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		\$485 13

TREE WARDEN.

Pay Roll.

G. G. Davis, superintendent	\$25 75	
Perry Marshall	19 60	
J. T. Young	9 40	
W. W. Gormley, stock and labor	1 75	
F. C. Williams, stock and labor	1 00	
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		\$57 50
Appropriation	\$50 00	
Overdrawn	7 50	
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		\$57 50

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Salary and Overtime, Hose 1—

C. O. Libby	\$15 00
Orrin Burke	15 00
J. C. Keough	15 00
J. P. Flynn	15 00
F. E. Wiggin	15 00
J. W. Grocut	15 00
R. H. Sargent, Jr.	17 50
Wm. Barlow	15 00
M. Jennings	15 00
E. D. Emerson	15 25
J. Mitchell	15 00
W. S. Lewis	5 00
J. E. Bean	13 75
Chas. E. Wallace	12 50
Sherman Grocut	13 25
M. Gilmore	3 75
A. C. Hume	6 25
Wm. H. Goldsmith	6 25
Geo. E. Hoyt	6 25
Wesley Gardner	7 50
Wm. Shaw	3 75
Edw. Dorr	3 75
Benj. Shaw	3 75
Jere Coty	6 25
J. Foisey	2 50

\$262 25

Hose 2—

F. O. Bailey	\$15 00
G. H. Gilday	15 00
R. J. Eaton	15 00
L. J. Whittier	15 00
L. Y. Stevens	15 00
H. Evans	15 00
A. E. Colman	8 75
J. W. Currier	13 75
H. M. Ordway	13 75
E. W. Haskell	13 75
F. E. Parker	1 25

 \$141 25

Fire Department—

B. F. Carter, use of horses	\$30 50
E. W. Haskell, use of horses	2 50
Sargent Coal Co., use of horses	34 50
Merrimac Plating Works, supplies	1 33
Ames Plow Co., supplies	7 29
G. H. Gilday, janitor and supplies	11 00
Board of Engineers, salaries	49 00
N. L. Howe, salary and supplies	127 74
A. J. Morse & Son, supplies	36 00
I. B. Little Co., supplies	5 18
Charles Woodman, reseating chairs	4 90
John E. Bean, Jr., supplies	75
E. D. Williams, stock and labor	1 69
Arthur Stewart, watching at fire July 16, '07	2 25
Wesley Gardner, watching at fire July 16, '07	5 00
Pettingell-Andrews Co., supplies	17 50
Merrimac Water Works	11 38
J. B. Heath, stock and labor	57 21
Town of Amesbury, extra horses at fire July 16, '07	8 00
Cornelius Callahan, supplies	6 00
O. F. Kress & Son, pole for hose wagon	30 00
A. G. Flower, labor	2 00

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G. A. Titcomb, supplies	1 91	
A. G. Sturdivant, teaming	1 16	
Bailey & Howieson, supplies	50	
Available hard fibre, fire alarm	15 00	
F. L. Parker, supplies	50	
Zenas Lovell & Co., supplies	3 25	
Preble Brothers, supplies	2 00	
Sargent Coal Co., supplies	91 73	
J. P. Flynn, janitor	85 00	
F. E. Wiggin, care of steamer	25 00	
R. H. Sargent, Jr., salary and overtime	7 75	
D. W. Gould, supplies	3 00	
Ed. Emerson, salary and overtime	3 75	
Boston Woven Hose Co., hose	155 92	
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		\$1,251 69
Appropriation	\$1,200 00	
Sale of hose wagon	25 00	
Overdrawn	26 69	
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		\$1,251 69

BRUSH FIRES.

R. J. Eaton (Clerk Hose 2), payroll	\$16 50	
J. C. Keough (Clerk Hose 1), payroll	17 50	
W. B. Kelly (Fire Warden), payroll	14 63	
Engineers, payroll	2 25	
Sargent Coal Co., horses	10 00	
F. W. Carter, horses	2 50	
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		\$63 38
No appropriation.		

MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT.

J. J. Minahan, serving warrants, car fare and killing dogs	\$26 35
Merrimac Budget, miscellaneous printing	315 35
H. O. Delano, typewriter	94 82
O. F. Kress & Son, hose wagon	329 71
Geo. L. Briggs, Treasurer's bond	35 00
G. G. Davis, horse hire	5 25
I. B. Little Co., supplies	3 11
Carter Ink Co., ink	75
Geo. E. Ricker, stamps and box rent	11 90
Preble Brothers, supplies	2 05
P. B. Murphy, printing posters	1 00
C. O. Libby, stock and labor	11 85
Sargent Coal Co., coal and wood for hall	73 00
W. C. Bennett, stock and labor	3 04
Thomas Groom & Co., collectors book	1 50
J. W. Bailey, car fare and expense	20 00
Little & Co., supplies	1 09
A. W. Brownell, computing table	25
Zenas Lovell & Co., supplies	5 44
F. E. Bartlett, team and expense	3 75
T. L. Goodwin, labor	50
H. H. Story, supplies and telephone	6 89
F. L. Blinn, supplies	18 85
Allen Brothers, supplies for Sealer	20 42
H. C. Manning, supplies and expense	10.45
Malden Specialty Co., supplies for sealer	1 50
P. C. Smith, putting up booths	3 00
B. F. Smith, janitor Sargent Hall, and charcoal	122 60

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W. & L. E. Gurley, supplies for sealer	7 32	
Bailey, Sargent, recording deaths, births and marriages and insurance on Sargent Hall	103 60	
F. L. Parker, supplies for sealers	3 85	
John J. Hargraves, supplies for sealer	1 00	
N. F. Stevens, cleaning hall clock	1 00	
J. B. Heath, return of deaths, and labor	12 08	
A. H. Peirce, M. D., returning births	3 50	
F. E. Sweetsir, M. D., returning births	4 00	
John S. Clement, expense as collector	15 00	
James C. Pease, expense as treasurer	26 26	
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		\$1,307 03
Unexpended		70 97
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		\$1,378 00
Appropriation	\$450 00	
Received for due account hand engine	350 00	
Received for Birch Meadow school house	35 00	
Received for rent of hall	174 00	
Received for rent of First National Bank	225 00	
Due from Water Board, rent	144 00	
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		\$1,378 00

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid James C. Pease, treasurer	\$400 00	
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Appropriation		\$400 00

ABATING NUISANCE.

F. O. Bailey, burying dog,	\$ 50	
Roy Bailey, burying hens,	1 50	
		\$2 00

TRAPS ON MAIN AND SCHOOL STREETS.

James W. Bailey, Superintendent,	\$29 50	
E. F. Goodwin,	32 44	
A. G. Flower,	23 33	
William Morrow,	18 55	
D. Bunker,	11 78	
G. G. Davis,	7 35	
J. Handley,	5 33	
J. E. Currier, tile,	38 00	
C. H. Chapman, labor and stock,	93 59	
J. M. Roche, brick,	40 00	
Taylor Goodwin Co., tile,	25 50	
		\$325 37
		\$327 37

No Appropriation.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Paid C. A. Bridges		\$75 00
Appropriation		75 00

STREET LIGHTS.

Municipal lighting,	\$2,447 41
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Appropriation,	2,447 41
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OIL LAMPS. CHURCH AND BEAR HILL STREETS.

Preble Bros, supplies,	\$9 60
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Chas. E. Morse, care of lights,	15 00
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G. H. Abercrombie, care of lights,	1 12
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	\$25 72
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Unexpended,	15 28
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	\$41 00
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Appropriation,	\$35 00
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Received from sale of old lights,	6 00
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	\$41 00
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PLEASANT VALLEY STREET RAILWAY.

Chas. A. Cotton, expert testimony	\$17 70
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No appropriation	
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CEMETERY ACCOUNT.

George Kittridge, labor	\$28 40	
J. A. Lancaster & Co., stock	6 49	
James Cooper, stock-labor	27 33	
B. Leighton, labor	5 50	
Theodore Grant, labor	4 00	
Merrimac Budget, printing notices	1 75	
G. G. Larkin, bills paid	11 01	
		\$84 48
Appropriation	\$50 00	
Overdrawn	34 48	
		\$84 48

FILLING RESERVOIR, WINTER STREET.

James W. Bailey, superintendent	\$4 00	
E. F. Goodwin, labor	16 67	
D. Bunker, labor	21 11	
A. G. Flower, labor	8 00	
Wm. Morrow, labor	12 22	
G. G. Gilday, labor	10 00	
M. Bailey, labor	5 11	
R. H. Sargent, labor and team	24 75	
J. E. Currier, tile	48 90	
		\$150 76
No appropriation.		

GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL MOTHS.

January pay roll and bills reported last year		\$342 52
G. G. Davis, superintendent	\$276 76	
J. P. Flynn, labor	23 25	
L. E. Bailey, labor	49 50	
Chester Carter, labor	99 63	
A. G. Flower, labor	13 00	
Geo. Kittridge, labor	24 50	
R. W. Hammond, labor	8 00	
C. T. Odiorne, labor	57 25	
Jerre Coty, labor	37 25	
Lewis Graham, labor	4 00	
Melvin Webster, labor	17 50	
James T. Young, labor	49 73	
Alex. Oxley, labor	13 75	
J. E. Abbott, labor	50 00	
N. B. Ordway, labor	39 25	
W. P. Fitzgerald, labor	39 00	
W. S. Holt, labor	11 70	
Alden Benogen, labor	62 40	
Perry Marshall	181 55	
C. J. Parker, labor	65 90	
Peter Brission, labor	2 50	
Edwin Brission, labor	5 00	
M. Travis, labor	3 00	
		\$1,134 42

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Merrimac Budget, printing	\$8 50
B. & M. R. R., freight	25
American Express, express charges	90

J. W. Bailey, notices	4 00	
Jos. Breck & Son, supplies	19 83	
Geo. E. Ricker, supplies	7 88	
Frost Insecticide Co., supplies	21 95	
F. C. Williams, stock and labor	1 00	
I. B. Little Co., supplies	2 25	
A. P. Wilson, supplies	1 90	
Town of Amesbury, supplies	1 25	
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		\$69 71
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		\$1,546 65

Bills paid December, 1907, and January, 1908	\$613 10	
Received and due from property owners	235 19	
Appropriation	253 34	
Overdrawn	445 02	
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		\$1,546 65

Bills of December, 1907, and January, 1908, have been paid since close of the state fiscal year, November 30, 1907.

PORCH ON SARGENT HALL BUILDING.

C. W. Chapman, stock and labor	\$31 99	
C. O. Libby, stock and labor	30 75	
J. E. Currier, lumber	15 46	
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		\$78 20
No appropriation.		

SIDEWALKS AND CROSSINGS.

J. W. Bailey, superintendent	\$12 00	
E. F. Goodwin, labor	7 22	
A. G. Flower, labor	16 22	
Theo. Grant, labor	16 22	
D. Bunker, labor	2 67	
Wm. Morrow, labor	4 45	
A. O. Nicol, team	20 00	
E. Emerson, team	20 00	
Haverhill Construction Co., concrete work	244 80	
	<hr/>	\$343 58
Appropriation	\$200 00	
Received and due from abutters	114 31	
Overdrawn	29 27	
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COURT FEES.

Received from Court,	\$38 00
Unexpended,	\$38 00

MAINTENANCE WATER PLANT.

Paid James C. Pease, treasurer	\$1,457 93	
Appropriation	1,407 93	
Overdrawn	50 00	
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REIMBURSEMENT.

Abbie G. Noone, property sold	\$5 80
No appropriation.	

STATE AID

For 12 months ending January 31, 1908.

Moses Bailey	\$54 00	
Elizabeth W. Currier	40 00	
Mary L. Foss	48 00	
Daniel G. George	72 00	
Geo. A. Grant	42 00	
Harriet O. Grant	48 00	
M. Ellen Hall	48 00	
Emma J. Heath	48 00	
Mary A. Hughes	12 00	
Chas. B. Hunkins	72 00	
John Jenkins	72 00	
Stephen D. Kennett	72 00	
Lydia A. Kennett	48 00	
Margaret Mahoney	48 00	
Harriet A. Peaslee	8 00	
Judson Riley	72 00	
Cynthia Simmons	48 00	
Nathan J. Spofford	62 00	
Moses Stevens	72 00	
Mary E. Stevens	48 00	
Emily E. Tibbetts	48 00	
Ananah S. White	48 00	
Isaac Hanson	24 00	
Margaret Hanley	36 00	
Clarissa J. Frye	36 00	
Harriet C. Flanders	16 00	
Wm. C. Tuson	12 00	
		\$1,254 00
Cash on hand		4 00
		\$1,258 00

STATISTICS FROM VALUATION BOOK.

Valuation of real estate	\$993,970 00
Valuation of personal estate	234,354 00
Valuation of resident bank stock	51,960 00
Tax on resident bank stock	1,091 16
Valuation of non-resident bank stock	68,040 00
Tax on non-resident bank stock	1,428 84
Number of persons assessed	1,094
Number of persons assessed on property	792
Number of persons assessed for poll tax only	302
Number of polls assessed	601
Number of polls exempt	40
Tax on polls	1,122
Number of dwelling houses	555
Number of horses	176
Number of cows	258
Number of sheep	1
Number of neat cattle other than cows	52
Number of swine	18
Rate of taxation per thousand	21 00
State tax	1,480 00
County tax	1,356 45
State highway tax	106 10
Total tax assessed	\$26,916 80

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Liabilities.

Balance of Note of April 3, 1908	\$2,500 00
Note of April 21, 1908	5,000 00
Note of April 26, 1908	2,500 00
Note of May 15, 1908	5,000 00
Note of July 29, 1908	2,500 00
Note macadamizing Main Street	500 00
Note due Jan. 8, 1909	2,500 00
Note due Jan. 8, 1909	3,500 00
Outstanding bills, estimated	100 00
Outstanding orders	108 00
Water coupons	20 00
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	\$24,228 00

Assets.

Due from state account, state aid	\$1,258 00
Due from state account, inspector of animals	25 00
Due from state account, poor account	273 60
Due from Boston City, poor account	119 49
Due from Town of Rowley, poor account	1 50
Due from G. G. Davis, moth account	39 05
Uncollected taxes	7,376 18
Massachusetts school fund	847 49
Cash on hand	2,976 38
Paid Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth bills, for 1908	613 10
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	\$13,529 79
Town debt, February 1, 1908	\$10,708 21
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	\$24,228 00

JAMES W. BAILEY,
 OLIVER W. JORDAN,
 FRANK E. BARTLETT,
 Selectmen of Merrimac.

RECAPITULATION.

Department.	Appropriated and Assessed For.	Received and Due From Other Sources.	Expended.	Unexp'	Overdr'n.
Schools, Conveyance of Pupils, Supt. of Schools, Sanitation High School,	\$7,200 00 500 00 375 00 1,000 00	State, acct. children, \$267 00 State fund, rec. Jan. 25, 845 63 Bal. in 'State fund from '06, 13 05 Acct. Supt. for '06, 625 00 Acct. Supt. for '07, 375 00 Acct. Supt. Topsfield, 250 00 Tuition, State wards, 267 00 Materials sold, 1 77 Fines on damaged books, 53 E. W. Currier est., 193 50 State, 273 60 Boston, 119 49 Rowley, 2 77 Sale of Hose Wagon, 25 00	\$11,097 80	\$155 18	
Soldiers' Relief, Poor,	200 00 1,400 00	Sale of grass, 2 00 Pine street abbuttors, 55 00 Trus. Locust Gr. cemetery, 40 10 Excise tax, 311 67	390 60 1,708 49	2 90 87 37	26 69 63 38 5 65
Fire, Brush Fires, Highways and Bridges,	1,200 00 No Approp'n. 1,400 00	Abbuttors, 114 31 State, acct. Ins. of animals, 25 00	1,251 69 63 38 1,814 42		
Snow and Washouts, Sidewalks and Crossings, Town Officers, Memorial Day, Interest,	500 00 200 00 2,125 00 75 00 600 00	Interest on note, 15 39 Interest on taxes collected, 151 16	463 51 343 58 2,068 25 75 00 1,278 53	36 49 81 75	29 27 511 98
Discount, Court Fees, Tree Warden, Public Library,	800 00 50 00 400 00	From Court, 38 00	936 00 57 50 400 00	38 00	36 00 7 50

Oil Lamps, Church and Bear Hill streets, Macadam road note, Street Sprinkling, Hydrants and } Watering Troughs, Miscellaneous,	35 00 500 00 100 00 1,825 00 450 00	Sale of Lamps, Sale of Hand Engine, Sale of school house, Birch Meadow, Rent of hall, First Nat. Bank, rent, Due from Water Board,	6 00 350 00 35 00 174 00 225 00 144 00	25 72 500 00 1,825 00 1,307 03	15 28 100 00 70 97
State Tax, County Tax, State Highway Tax, Gypsy and Brown Tails,	1,480 00 1,356 45 106 10 253 34	From property owners, Bill of Dec. '07, Jan. '08,	235 19 613 10	1,480 00 1,356 45 106 10 1,546 65	*445 02
Street Lights, Cemeteries, Reimbursement, Abating Nuisance, Pleasant Valley railroad, Maintenance water plant, Filling reservoir, Railing, Porch on Town hall,	2,447 41 50 00 No Approp'n. No Approp'n. No Approp'n. 1,407 93 No Approp'n. 400 00 No Approp'n.	Rec'd from State, acct. of Corporation Tax, 1,229 89 National Bank Tax, 118 54		2,447 41 84 48 5 80 327 37 17 70 1,457 93 150 76 485 13 78 20	34 48 5 80 327 37 17 70 50 00 150 76 85 13 78 20
	\$28,436 23	\$7,142 69	\$35,150 14	\$587 95	\$1,874 13

* To be reimbursed by the State upon presentation of proper vouchers.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Office of the
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC RECORDS.

State House, Boston, Nov. 14, 1907.

Chairman of the Selectmen,
Merrimac,

Dear Sir:

Upon an official visit of inspection yesterday of the vault and safe containing the records of your town, I find them both overcrowded, and more room must be provided; also that your vault is both lined and fitted with wood, which is contrary to law; and I must respectfully call the attention of your honorable board to Sec. 18, Chap. 35, of the Revised Laws of 1902, which specifically states that "only fittings of non-combustible material" shall be used.

I trust your town will soon remedy these conditions.

Very truly yours,

HENRY E. WOODS, Commissioner.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

JOHN S. CLEMENT, COLLECTOR, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
TOWN OF MERRIMAC.

Merrimac, Mass., Feb. 13, 1908.

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To 1907 tax list	\$26,916 80
Non-resident bank tax	1,428 84
Additions	266 14
Moth tax	235 25
Excise tax	311 67
Sidewalk tax	114 67
Costs received	31 67
Interest received	151 16
Cancel abatement	2 00
Uncollected 1902 taxes	16 37
Uncollected 1903 taxes	105 09
Uncollected 1904 taxes	533 56
Uncollected 1905 taxes	2,767 71
Uncollected 1906 taxes	5,292 84
Due from firemen	29 10
Cash on hand	36 65
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	\$38,239 52

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By cash paid town treasurer	\$28,992 00
Discounts	936 34
Abatements, 1905	136 91
Abatements, 1906	54 28
Abatements, 1907	330 85
Uncollected taxes, 1902	16 37

Uncollected taxes, 1903	105 09
Uncollected taxes, 1904	117 02
Uncollected taxes, 1905	231 02
Uncollected taxes, 1906	1,369 07
Uncollected taxes, 1907	4,912 05
Attitash Park, 1905	10 11
Attitash Park, 1906	14 50
Attitash Park, 1907	108 85
Gypsy and brown tail moths, 1906	22 69
Gypsy and brown tail moths, 1907	91 62
Sidewalk tax, 1907	29 30
Excise tax, 1907	311 67
Due from firemen	36 82
Cash on hand	412 96

\$38,239 52

LIST OF UNPAID TAXES, FEBRUARY 13, 1908.

	1902.	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.
Heath, A., heris	\$16 37	\$18 92	\$15 77	\$15 30	\$9 10	\$6 62
Heath, G. L., heirs		37 80	37 80	48 30	42 00	44 10
Bailey, F. P., bal.		1 12			11 50	11 98
Rollins, S.		5 40	5 40	6 90	6 00	6 30
Sargent, S. L.		8 55	8 55	10 93	9 50	20 48
Sargent, W. P., heirs		33 30	33 30	42 55	37 00	38 85
Carvel, E.			3 60	2 30	2 00	2 10
Nichols, J. A., heirs			3 60	2 30	2 00	2 10
Pettigrew heirs			8 10	10 35	9 00	9 45
Morrill, Mrs. D. F.			90	1 15	1 00	1 05
Bailey, M., bal.				7 62		
Battis, B. H., bal.				17 38	22 00	17 75
Carter, Wm. F.				9 65		1 05
Gunnison, G., heirs				18 98	16 50	17 33
O'Connell				19 55	17 10	6 30
Patten, Jona.				2 00		2 00

	1905	1906	1907
Patten, Mrs.	5 75		5 25
Hicks, E. M.	8 05	7 00	7 35
Richardson Heirs, bal.	1 96	4 00	4 20
Battis, G. H.		5 40	15 13
Beauvais, J. E., bal.		7 00	11 45
Burk, O. W., bal.		5 07	29 09
Currier, J. E.		446 40	469 25
Delano, H. O.		201 80	194 67
Doyle, J.		2 00	2 00
Greeley, M., heirs		2 50	2 63
Hoyt, Mrs. G. S., bal.		22 00	28 35
Jones, J. D., bal.		13 00	11 55
Kennett, L. D., bal.		1 80	4 84
Noyes, Charles H.		88 00	92 30
Rowell, W., heirs.		85 00	89 25
Sheys, W. E.		13 00	13 55
Sheridan, J., heirs, bal.		6 00	16 80
Thompson, W. F.		2 00	2 00
Thompson, A. B.		81 10	92 72
Tremblay, E.		23 00	24 05
Tuckwell, C. H.		26 80	28 04
Wentworth, C. A.		2 00	2 00
Whittier & Bailey, bal.		2 90	6 30
Witham, bal.		20 10	43 27
Brown, J. S.		12 00	12 60
Davis, J., heirs		19 50	20 48
Evans, C. M.		16 00	16 80
Lyons, W.		3 50	3 68
Lockrow,		7 00	7 35
Peaslee, R.		10 00	10 50
Edwards, G. T.		11 00	11 55
Welsh, W.		33 00	34 65

1907.			
A. H. Fibre Co.	\$178 50	Driscoll, E.	2 00
Abbott, D. O.	2 00	Earl, G. M.	2 00
Allison, I. R.	2 00	Ellis, A. E.	2 00
Allison, heirs	16 80	Elliott, E. B.	2 00
Barker, G. F.	2 00	Eldridge, W. L.	19 85
Barlow, J.	2 00	Eldridge, C. H.	2 00
Barlow, W. H.	2 00	Emerson, W. H.	11 98
Blaisdell, Harry O.	2 00	Emerson, E. C.	6 20
Battis, J. W.	2 00	Evans, E. A.	2 00
Benson, G. E.	2 00	Elliot, heirs	17 85
Blotner,	16 18	Farrington, heirs	35 18
Bremer, M.	3 47	Farra, R.	11 98
Caswell, H. W.	2 00	Finn, W.	55 03
Casavant, A.	2 00	F. H. & C.	25 20
Cate, E. I.	2 00	George, C. H.	2 00
Cate, F. W.	2 00	George, Frank P.	2 21
Colby, J. W.	36 13	Golden, Hector F.	2 32
Collins, A. M.	2 00	Goodwin, T. L.	116 14
Coleman, Mrs.	28 35	Goodwin, H. T.	2 00
Coleman, Chas.	2 00	Goodwin & Kendrick	15 75
Connor, J. H.	2 00	Gould, I. M.	40 01
Connor, Timothy, heirs	18 48	Greeley, W.	20 06
Coombs, P. R., bal.	3 90	Handley, G. W.	2 00
Coombs, A. W.	2 21	Handley, J. E.	2 00
Cooper, J.	32 45	Harlow, A. E.	2 00
Cook, C. L.	2 00	Hobson, Geo. M.	2 00
Conway, F. B.	2 00	Haynes, G. E.	2 00
Cowell, E. H.	2 00	Heath, Mrs. Chas. A.	31 50
Cowell, Mrs.	70 46	Heath, F. L.	2 21
Day, E. E.	2 00	Hopkins, E. L.	2 42
Delano, Mrs.	50 40	Heron, G. J.	21 00
Donahue, T. J.	2 00	Howe, N. L.	24 05
Dodge, G. A.	2 00	Hoy, P.	2 00
Dodge, C. E.	19 95	Holt, heirs	23 10
Donovan, J.	2 00	Hoyt, C. E.	2 00
Dorr, E. E.	2 00	Hoyt, E. P.	2 00
		Howard, J.	2 00

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Hunt, Mrs.	12 60	Smith, F.	2 00
Hume, A.	2 00	Sorenson, bal.	24 55
Hale, W.	2 00	Shebaski, Joseph	13 54
H. & A. St. Ry. Co.	641 55	Sargent, Mrs. E.	10 50
Jackman, C. L.	26 05	Thompson, M. W.	2 00
Jenkins, F. E.	2 00	T. & K.-A. Ice Co.	4 62
Judkins, J. B., bal.	157 50	Tibbetts, C. M.	2 00
Judkins, F. B., bal.	109 20	Viccaro, S.	2 00
Judkins, C. H., bal.	52 50	Welch, A. F.	2 00
Judkins & Delano	38 22	Whittier, W. S.	2 00
Kelly, W. B.	85 37	Wood, S., heirs	6 32
Kidder, E. D.	2 00	Woodborn, J. J.	2 00
Kinsman, Roy	2 00	Woodborn, W. F.	2 00
LeClair, C. E.	14 60	Woodburn, E.	2 00
Lewis, W. S.	2 00	Adwood, J.	5 78
Little, E. C.	70 78	Capon, E.	8 40
Linden, L.	17 85	Cit. St. Ry. Co.	21 00
Loud, F. A.	123 80	Colburn, E. S.	4 73
Lowry, P. L.	2 00	Emerson, Edgar	3 68
Marden, M. W.	2 00	Fraser, A. G.	30 45
McNannie, Mrs.	25 73	Freeman, G. S.	21 00
Miles, C. W.	42 69	George, Mrs. F., bal.	21 39
Miner, L.	2 00	Gibson, J. E.	22 05
Noyes, C. A.	2 00	Hannan, W. J.	16 80
Ordway, A. P.	82 54	Kaufman, R.	13 02
Pease, Mrs. J. T.	5 25	Knapp, C. S.	13 65
Preble, E. H., bal.	6 30	Kimball, G. W.	7 35
Putnam, Geo. T.	2 00	Mace, C. O.	4 41
Patten, J. & E.	6 30	Merriam, C. H.	21 00
Roberts, E. W.	5 15	Morse, W. L.	21 53
Sargent, W. W.	2 00	Morrill, R. C.	117 60
Sargent, R. H.	94 72	Neal, A. J.	4 73
Sargent, C. N., heirs	64 37	O'Neil, J.	3 15
Shaw, B. H.	2 00	Peaslee, E.	1 05
Sheridan, T. W.	2 00	Prescott, J. H.	10 50
Simmons, A. H.	2 00	Sargent, E. O.	6 30
Smith, H. P.	23 00	Sawyer, A., heirs	76 65

True, F. B.	1 05	SIDEWALKS.	
Thompson, L. G.	37 07	J. & D.	\$8 52
Patten, J. & E.	6 30	Goodwin, T. L.	20 78
Fowle, D. H.	37 28	EXCISE TAX.	
Wood, Frank H.	53	H. & A. St. Ry. Co.	\$311 67

BROWN TAIL MOTHS.

1906.		Heron, Mrs.	88
Bailey, F. P.	39	Sheys, W. E.	25
Currier, J. E.	1 05	Sorenson, R. R.	25
Linden, Lars	1 25	Wood, heirs	85
Poore, R. S. Estate	17 50	Whittier & Bailey	50
Lockrow, D. M.	2 50	H. & A. St. Ry. Co.	1 98
Allison, heirs	2 52	Heath, A.	1 50
1907.		Jackman, Chas.	29
A. H. Fibre Co.	38	Judkins & Delano	9 10
Blotner, M.	1 00	Knapp, C. S.	75
Blodgett, W. H.	3 50	Kaufman, R.	85
Cowell, Mrs.	52	Little, E. C.	1 43
Currier, J. E.	25	Loud, F. A.	50
Welch, W.	25	Lockrow, D. M.	75
Delano, Mrs.	1 38	McNannie, Mrs.	25
Dodge, C. E.	75	Morse, W. L.	1 50
Davis, J., heirs	25	Noyes, C. H.	1 22
Eldridge, W. L.	1 00	Pooré, Mrs., heirs	16 00
Freeman, G. S.	25	Rollins, S.	50
Goodwin, T. L.	1 25	Rose, M. H.	50
Gibson,	3 00	Thompson, A. B.	3 25
Holt, heirs	1 25	Stuart, J. F.	50
Hunt, Mrs.	50	Sargent, Mrs. S. L., Est.	29
		Sawyer, Abbott, Est.	6 94
		Sawyer, C. W.	1 41

ATTITASH PARK.

	1905.	1906.	1907.
Banks, A.	\$2 00	\$1 30	\$1 37
Boggs, J.	46	40	42
Carn, C. E.	1 38	1 20	1 26
Davis, A. M.	69	60	63
Deschamp, B. S.	36	80	84
Deschamp, Benj.	46		
Ellard, D. W.	35	30	32
Hermanson, S.	81	70	73
Hall, M. H.	35	30	
Hall, H.	35	30	
Murray, S. V.	35	30	32
Merrill, E. G.	58	50	53
McCormic, E. F.	35	30	32
Porter, B. C.	46	40	42
Porter, H. L. E.	23	20	21
Porter, H. E.		40	42
Streeter, J.	34	30	32
Allen, R. P.		20	
Canepa, J.		80	84
Day, H. E.		40	42
Ovilson, A.		30	32
Ryan, J. F.	35	30	32
Parsons, J. E.		2 50	
Pierce, M. A.		30	
Rowe, B.		50	53
Tibbetts, P. G.		30	32
Thurston, G. M.	23	20	21
Thurston, E. A.		20	21
White, Mary M.		20	21

1907.			
Averill, M. J.	\$0 84	Kimball, F. W.	63
Averill, A. E.	1 18	Lomansy, D. J.	32
Andrews, N.	3 47	Lomansy, D. J. & H. E.	1 05
Brock, W. S., Jr.	32	LaCourse, A. J.	2 10
Brandle, C.	1 18	Montour, C. T.	2 52
Currier, N.	74	Bapleback, K. D.	42
Cooper, M.	1 37	McLean, M. M.	32
Curtis, T. E.	21	McLoughlin, J. D.	84
Chabot, L.	63	Mohegan Club	63
Currier & Lee	3 68	Murphy, M. I.	2 63
Dickinson, I.	95	Picone, V.	1 78
Dune, J. W.	2 10	Pierce, M. A.	32
Dwyer, S. E.	42	Paulett, R.	6 30
Emery, H. B.	7 79	Rhodes, M. J. & C.	32
Folsom, H. E.	32	Robertson, M. E.	21
Frye, D.	8 92	Richmond, F. O.	42
Frurck, W. N.	2 00	Roberts, J. T.	31
Garneau, J.	2 10	Reardon, G. H.	4 20
Gilbert & Story	42	Sweeney, T.	63
Garfield, H.	94	Senter, F. W.	1 05
Girman, H.	42	Stanley, A. & H.	63
Gray, J. S.	1 57	Streeter, H.	32
Haines, C. H.	31	Scofield, A., bal.	1 81
Hoar, J. J.	42	Sundle, S.	1 36
Hennessy, H. E.	3 67	Somers, G. F.	31
Hubbard, N. V.	31	Stowe, F. F.	31
Hartman, S.	1 37	Tibbetts, J. S.	21
Ham, A. E.	1 05	Tibbetts, A. F.	84
Hoar, M. E.	31	Upton, F. C.	2 10
Hoar, H.	32	White, E. A.	2 31
Hale, J. P.	2 42	Wheland, T.	1 47
King, B. W.	32	Valentine, G. E.	1 16
		Young, J. C.	1 26
		Social Club	4 20

TREASURER'S REPORT.

James C. Pease, Treasurer, in Account With the Town of Merri-
mac.

Receipts.

Cash in treasury, Feb. 10, 1907		\$2,356 57
Town notes (anticipation of taxes)	\$26,000 00	
Treasurer of commonwealth corporation tax	1,229 89	
National bank tax	118 54	
State aid	1,303 50	
Compensation of inspector of animals	25 00	

Interest.

Jose Parker & Co.	6 59
First National Bank, on deposit	13 71

Selectmen.

On account sale hose wagon	275 00
Sale birch meadow schoolhouse	35 00
Crushed stone used at Locust Grove Cemetery	40 10
Abutters on Pine Street	55 00
Sale of hay	2 00
Sale of street lighting lamps	6 00
City of Haverhill, on account poor	11 12
City of Newburyport, on account poor	8 20
City of Boston, on account poor	10 00
City of Lawrence, on account poor	33 70
Town of Rowley, on account poor	1 27
First National Bank, rent	225 00
Geo. W. Cate, court fees	38 00
Geo. G. Larkin, supt. sale grass, woods, etc.	30 43
B. F. Smith, janitor Sargent hall	174 00
John S. Clement, collector	28,992 00

\$58,634 05

School Department.

Treasurer of Commonwealth,

Account Superintendent of Schools, 1906	\$625 00
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Account Superintendent of Schools, 1907	625 00
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Tuition of state children	267 00
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Treasurer of Essex County,

Dog licenses refunded	158 18
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School Committee, materials sold	3 54
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School Committee, fines on books	53
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\$1,679 25

Light Department.

Town appropriation for municipal lighting	\$1,995 41
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Town appropriation for commercial wire to port	300 00
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Town appropriation for Cilley extension	47 00
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Town appropriation for Jordan extension	105 00
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N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co.	4 20
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Light board	4,179 29
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\$6,630 90

\$69,300 77

Expenditures.

Treasurer of Commonwealth,

State tax	\$1,480 00
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National Bank tax	1,343 79
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State highway tax	106 10
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Treasurer of Essex County,

County tax	1,356 45
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Selectmen's orders.

Miscellaneous bills paid	17,947 60
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State aid	1,258 00
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Notes	24,000
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Interest	1,278 53
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

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School Department.

School orders:

Miscellaneous bills paid	10,198 49
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Light Department.

Orders of Light Board:

Miscellaneous bills paid	\$6,878 39
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Light bond No. 3	500 00
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Interest coupons on light bonds	390 00
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	\$66,737 35
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Balance cash on hand	2,563 42
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	\$69,300 77
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The following shows the amount of the bonds and notes that make up the Town indebtedness, with their times of maturity and rates of interest.

Bonds, Water at 4 per cent	\$84,000
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No. 1 to 24, inclusive, at \$500 00 each, maturing one each year from July 15, 1909, to July 15, 1932, respectively.

No. 25 to 96 inclusive at \$1,000 each, maturing July 15, 1909 (Nos. 25, 26, 27), July 15, 1910; (Nos. 28, 29, 30, etc., three bonds each consecutive year until July 15, 1932 (Nos. 94, 95, 96.)

Bonds, Electric Light, at 4 per cent	\$9,500.00
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No. 4 to to inclusive, at \$500 each, maturing one each year from July 15, 1908, to July 15, 1926, respectively.

Notes, anticipation of taxes	\$17,500 00
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Note due April 3, 1908	\$2,500 00
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Note due April 21, 1908	5,000 00
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Note due April 26, 1908	2,500 00
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Note due May 15, 1908	5,000 00
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Note due July 29, 1908	2,500 00
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Note, macadamizing Main street at 3 1-2 per cent, due Aug. 1, 1908, \$500.00.

Note, additional equipment for electric light plant at 5 1-2 per cent, due January 8, 1909, \$3,500.

Note additional equipment for electric light plant, at 5 1-2 per cent, due January 8, 1909, \$2,500.

NOTES AND INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Notes.

Amount borrowed the past year in anticipation of taxes as follows:

Note of March 19, 1907	\$2,500 00
Note of May 28, 1907	1,000 00
Note of June 21, 1907	5,000 00
Note of Oct. 3, 1907	2,500 00
Note of Oct. 21, 1907	5,000 00
Note of Oct. 26, 1907	2,500 00
Note of Nov. 15, 1907	5,000 00
Note of Jan. 29, 1908	2,500 00
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	\$26,000 00

Amount paid the past year on this year's notes as follows:

Note of March 19, 1907	\$2,500 00
Note of May 28, 1907	1,000 00
Note of June 21, 1907	5,000 00
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	\$8,500 00

Amount paid the past year on previous loans as follows:

Note of Feb. 16, 1901	\$500 00	
Account of Macadamizing Main Street.		
Note of Oct. 5, 1904	2,500 00	
Balance of Water Department Loan to Town.		
Note of Oct. 11, 1906	5,000 00	
Note of Oct. 26, 1906	5,000 00	
Note of Dec. 21, 1906	2,500 00	
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		\$15,500 00
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		\$24,000 00

Interest.

Interest has been paid the past year as follows:

Note of March 19, 1907	\$72 96	
Note of Oct. 11, 1906	210 02	
Note of May 28, 1907	12 50	
Note of June 21, 1907	83 33	
Note of Oct. 27, 1906	208 33	
Note of Oct. 3, 1907	75 00	
Note of Oct. 21, 1907	150 00	
Note of Oct. 26, 1907	76 28	
Note of Nov. 15, 1907	173 78	
Note of Jan. 29, 1908	68 75	
Note of Oct. 5, 1904	113 26	
Water Department Loan to Town.		
Note of Feb. 16, 1901	34 32	
Main Street, Macadam Note.		
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		\$1,278 53

WATER DEPARTMENT.

 Receipts.

Cash on hand, Feb. 9, 1907		\$788 61
Town of Merrimac, balance loan, dated Oct. 5, 1904	\$2,500 00	
Town of Merrimac, 1 year 16 days' interest on above loan	113 26	
Town appropriation for hydrants, etc.	1,825 00	
Town appropriation for maintenance of plant	1,457 93	
Light Department, fuel, oil, expense, etc.	3,661 15	
Merrimac Public Library, heat	11 00	
Light Department, for order drawn	36 54	
Water Board	3,355 34	
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		\$12,960 22
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		\$13,748 83

Expenditures.

Interest coupons on water bonds	\$3,340 00	
Orders of water board	10,325 95	
Balance on deposit	82 88	
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		\$13,748 83
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		\$13,748 83

Interest coupon due Jan. 15, 1908, outstanding	\$20 00
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MERRIMAC PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Receipts.

Cash on hand, Feb. 4, 1907		\$19 44
Town appropriation	\$400 00	
Wm. B. Sargent, secretary	27 07	
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		\$427 07
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		\$446 51

Expenditures.

Orders of library trustees	\$393 77	
Balance on deposit	52 74	
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		\$446 51

MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FUND.

Receipts.

Cash on hand, Feb. 4, 1907	\$858 68	
Treasurer of Commonwealth		847 49
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		\$1,706 17

Expenditures.

Orders of school committee	\$798 35	
Balance on deposit	907 82	
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		\$1,706 17

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS.

DR.

Eliza M. Sawyer fund	\$114 00	
Balance of interest unexpended	9 51	
		\$123 51
Emily S. Goodwin fund	\$250 00	
Balance of interest unexpended	32 45	
		\$282 45
John L. and Sophia Merrill fund	\$200 00	
Balance of interest unexpended	3 52	
		\$203 52
M. E. Sargent fund	\$100 00	
Balance of interest unexpended	21 21	
		\$121 21
Moses Goodrich fund	\$100 00	
Balance of interest unexpended	1 63	
		\$101 63
W. A. Paine fund	\$50 00	
Balance of interest unexpended	46	
		\$50 46

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Balance per books No. 4119, 4149, 4205, 3335, 4432 and 4445 in Merrimac Savings Bank	\$882 78
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Respectfully submitted,

JAMES C. PEASE,

Treasurer.

LOCUST GROVE CEMETERY.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES.

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Merrimac:

DR.

1907.

To balance on hand as per last report	\$132 84
May. Cash from sale of lot	6 00
June. Cash from sale of lot	35 00
June. Cash from sale of lot	10 00
June. Cash from sale of lot	5 00
June. Cash from sale of lot	4 00
July. Cash from sale of lot	5 00
July. Cash from sale of locust posts	1 00
Sept. Cash from sale of lot	50 00
Oct. Cash from sale of lot	25 00
Oct. Cash from sale of plank	7 86
Nov. Cash from sale of lot	25 00
Nov. Cash from sale of hay	12 00
Dec. Cash from sale of trees and wood	5 56

\$324 26

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1907.

May. Cash paid Theo. Grant, labor	4 00
May. Cash paid Wm. Emerson & Son, team- ing	10 00

June.	Cash paid Town of Merrimac, crushed stone	40 10	
June.	Cash paid Geo. Kittridge and Supt., sundry bills	10 13	
	Cash paid Geo. Kittredge, March to June	18 10	
July.	Cash paid J. T. Crosby, haying	7 50	
July.	Cash paid Geo. Kittredge, labor	5 40	
Sept.	Cash paid Reed Mfg. Co., herbicide	10 00	
Oct.	Cash paid Chas. A. Miles, labor & stock	5 20	
Nov.	Cash paid Geo. Kittredge, labor	6 60	
Dec.	Cash paid by Trustees, sundry bills, clerical work and as pr. bill attached, check No. 79	19 00	
Jan. 14.	Deposited in Merrimac Savings Bank	140 00	
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			\$270 63
	Deposit in First National Bank		53 63
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			\$324 26
	Contingent fund in Merrimac Savings Bank	4 82 90	

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. G. LARKIN, Supt.,
C. A. LANCASTER,
C. E. ROWELL,
Trustees.

CHURCH AND MAIN STREET CEMETERIES.

DR.

1907.

To cash received for plank	\$6 54	
To cash received for tree, 1907	1 00	
To cash received for hay	5 00	
To cash received for hay	4 00	
To cash received for wood	5 00	
To cash received from B. & M. R. R. for half fence repairs bordering on track	8 89	
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		\$30 43

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1907.

Dec. 13. To cash paid James C. Pease Treas.	\$8 89	
Dec. 23. To cash paid James C. Pease, Treas.	5 00	
Jan. To cash paid James C. Pease, Treas.	16 54	
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		\$30 43
Appropriation		50 00
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		\$80 43
Over drawn		1 09
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		\$81 52

MEMORANDUM.

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Jan.

1907. Bills to Selectmen:

Apr. Geo. Kittredge, labor, cutting wood in Church street	\$13 60
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July.	James Cooper, repairs on front fence	10 54
July.	George Kittredge, haying, etc.	10 80
July.	B. Leighton, help and haying	5 50
July.	Theodore Grant, haying lower corner	4 00
July.	Geo. Kittredge, haying lower corner	4 00
Aug.	James Cooper, repairs on South, East and North fence	16 79
Aug.	J. A. Lancaster & Co., lumber	5 28
May.	G. G. Davis, horse and cart, Trustees bill	1 50
May.	Geo. Kittredge, labor, Trustees bill	1 40
Nov.	Geo. Kittredge, labor, Trustees bill	1 20
May.	W. C. Bennett, repairs on water faucet	50
May.	A. G. Sturtevent, trucking	25
May.	Water barrel and painting	35
May.	Trustees bill, sundry expenses	5 56
May.	R. C. Finn iron work	25

\$81 52

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To Selectmen orders on Town Treasurer	\$81 52
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Respectfully submitted,

GEO. G. LARKIN, Supt.,

C. A. LANCASTER,

C. E. ROWELL,

Trustees..

PERPETUAL CARE OF LOTS.

Under Massachusetts Laws, Revised Statutes, 1902, Chap. 78,
Sec. 24.

OF CEMETARIES AND BURIALS.

A town in which Cemetery Commissioners or Trustees are chosen may receive gifts or bequests for maintaining cemeteries or cemetery lots, which shall be paid into the town treasury of said town and with the accounts thereof, shall be kept separate from the other money and accounts of said town; the town treasurer shall invest all such funds in accordance with the stipulations, if any accompany them; otherwise he shall invest them as ordered by the Selectmen and Commissioners or Trustees, and pay the income therefrom upon their order, or with their approval.

Eliza M. Sawyer fund for the care of the T.
C. Sawyer lot in the Church Street
Cemetery, \$114,00 deposited in Merri-
mac Savings Bank, Book No. 4,119, in-
come only to be used for care.

Unexpended balance, 1906	\$8 77
Earnings to Oct. 18, 1907	4 94
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	\$13 71
Care and expense paid by Trustees, 1907	4 20
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Available balance	\$9 51

John L. and Sophia A. Merrill fund for the care of the John L. Merrill lot in the Church Street Cemetery, \$200.00 deposited in Merrimac Savings Bank. Book No. 4,205, income only to be used for care.

Unexpended balance, 1907	\$0 82
Income to Oct. 18, 1907	8 08
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	\$8 90
Care and expense paid by Trustees, 1907	5 28
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Available balance	\$3 62

Mrs. Thomas E. Poyen fund for care of Moses Goodrich and Poyen lot in Church Street Cemetery, \$100.00 deposited in Merrimac Savings Bank, Book No. 4432, income only to be used for care.

Unexpended balance, 1907	\$1 75
Income to Oct. 18, 1907	4 08
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	\$5 83
Care and expense paid by Trustees, 1907	4 20
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Available balance	\$1 63

Emily S. Goodwin fund for care of Patten Sargent lot in the Lower Main Street Cemetery, \$250.00, deposited in Merrimac Savings Bank, Book No. 4,149, income only to be used for care.

Unexpended balance, 1907	\$24 41
Income to Oct. 18, 1907	11 06
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	\$35 47
Care and expense paid by Trustees, 1907	3 00
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Available balance	\$32 47

M. E. Sargent fund for the care of Jonathan Sargent lot in Lower Corner Cemetery, income only to be used, \$100.00, deposited in Merrimac Savings Bank, Book No. 3335, income only to be used for care.

Unexpended balance, 1907	\$18 93
Income to Oct. 18, 1907	4 78
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	\$23 71
Care and expense paid by Trustees, 1907	2 50
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Available balance	\$21 21

William A. Paine fund for care of Henry Sargent lot, adjoining Patten Sargent lot in Lower Corner Cemetery, \$50.00 deposited in Merrimac Savings Bank, Book No. 4450, income only to be used for care.

Unexpended balance, 1907	\$0 44
Income to Oct. 18, 1907	2 02
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	\$2 46
Care and expense paid by Trustees, 1907	2 00
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Available balance	\$0 46

Income only can be used for care of lots under this law.

GEO. G. LARKIN. Supt.,
C. A. LANCASTER,
C. E. ROWELL,
Trustees.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

BIRTHS.

Number of births returned		34
Males	20	
Females	14	
Fathers native born	26	
Mothers native born	26	
Both parents native born	23	
Both parents foreign born	5	

MARRIAGES.

Number of marriages recorded		15
First marriage of groom	14	
First marriage of bride	14	
Grooms native born	11	
Brides native born	15	
Average age of groom, 27 years, 4 months, 24 days.		
Average age of bride, 23 years.		

DEATHS.

Number of deaths recorded	33
Males	15
Females	18
Under 5 years	2
Males native born	13
Females native born	17
Of native parentage	26
Of foreign parentage	4
Of mixed parentage	3
Average age, 62 years, 3 months, 25 days.	
Oldest person, 86 years, 4 months, 14 days.	
Over 80 years	7

DOGS.

Number of dogs licensed	97
Males	87
Females	10

BAILEY SARGENT, Town Clerk.

REPORTS OF SEALERS OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Merrimac, Mass, Sept. 1, 1907.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen: The report of Sealer of Weights and Measures from Feb. 1, 1907, to Sept. 1, 1907, is as follows:

Glass jars, 3 gross.

Scales, 20.

Weights, 44.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. SMITH,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Report of sealer of weights and measures from Sept. 28, 1907 to Feb. 1, 1908, is:

Number of milk jars measured, 1937; sealed, 1436; condemned, 501.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. MANNING.

POLICE REPORT.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit the annual report of the police department for the year ending January 31, 1908.

Number of arrests	14
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Charged as follows:

Drunk	7
Larceny	3
Manslaughter	1
Assault	1
Lewd and lascivious conduct	2

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. MINAHAN,
Chief of Police.

SARGENT HALL.

Merrimac, Mass., Jan. 31, 1908.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen: The report of Sargent Hall is as follows:

From Feb. 1, 1907, to Jan. 31, 1908, the hall was opened 51 times.

Received for rent	\$174 00
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Paid Town Treasurer, James C. Pease	174 00
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Respectfully submitted,

B. F. SMITH, Janitor.

JURY LIST.

List of names to be voted on for Jurors at the Annual Town
Meeting to e held Monday, March 2nd, 1908.

Name and Residence.	Occupation.
Lorenzo B. Blaisdell, Merrimac st.,	Farmer
Ezra G. Bly, Church st.,	Shoemaker
Roswell J. Eaton, Merrimac st.,	Plater
T. Livingston Goodwin, Church st.,	Merchant
D. Warren Gould, Main street.,	Harnessmaker
Charles H. Hughes, Merrimac st.,	Woodworker
Oliver W. Jordan, School street.,	Metalworker
James C. Libby, Pleasant st.,	Contractor
Edwin C. Little, Main st.,	Farmer
Ralph H. Sargent, Main st.,	Ice Dealer
Edward J. Doherty, Lincoln st.,	Carriage Trimmer
Frank E. Hale, Main st.,	Woodworker
Thomas W. Sheridan, Main st.,	Salesman
Charles E. Williams, Pleasant st., Port,	Woodworker
James T. Young, Main st.,	Blacksmith

Albert A. Trull, Summer st.,	Insurance Agent
Henry O. Walker, Birch Meadow st.,	Farmer
Charles A. Heath, Main st.,	Mechanic
Cyrus D. Trull, Hadley,	Farmer
William C. Tuson, Pleasant st., Port,	Blacksmith
Willard S. Allison, Merrimac st.,	Carriage Trimmer
Abram L. Baxter, Pleasant st., Port,	Woodworker
William H. Boothroyd, Church st.,	Blacksmith
Charles I. Churchill, Main st.,	Woodworker
Jacob T. Crosby, Main st.,	Farmer
Henry P. Davis, Church st.,	Blacksmith
Edward F. Goodwin, Maple st.,	Laborer
Horace W. Haskell, Church st.,	, Carriage Trimmer
Edgar P. Sargent, Bear Hill st.,	Farmer
William O. Smiley, School st.,	Retired
Charles E. Rowell, Merrimac st.,	Retired

ANNUAL REPORT OF
THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS
MERRIMAC FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Merrimac, Mass., February 1, 1908.

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The Board of Engineers submit the following report for the year:

There have been eight alarms.

March 30. alarm from box 26, brush fire near residence of George Kendrick.

April 15, alarm from Box 12, for fire on roof of George & Jonah shop; slight damage.

April 20, alarm from box 12, for fire on roof of George & Jonah shop; slight damage.

April 20, alarm from box 24, brush fire on land of J. E. Currier and H. O. Walker.

April 21, alarm from box 23, for brush fire on land belonging to T. H. Hoyt.

April 7, alarm from box 24, for fire at residence of Mr. Le Clair. Damage about \$1000.

July 3, alarm from box 12 for slight fire on roof of Wheel and Gear factory.

July 16, alarm from box 12, for fire at factory of Merrimac Wheel and Gear. The factory was a total loss. The carriage shop of R. P. Clement and the residences of R. P. Clement and J. T. Young were on fire several times. Help was called from Amesbury.

Both engine houses are in good repair. At the house at the Port, water has been installed and a hard wood floor laid. The apparatus is in good condition. The new hose wagon mentioned in our last report has arrived and been stationed at Merrimacport. We have secured three Callahan shut off nozzles and 250 feet of double jacket rubber lined hose. We recommend the purchasing of this amount of hose each year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. GROCUT,
Chief.

W. S. TUCKWELL,
1st Assistant.

H. W. HALE,
2nd Assistant and Clerk.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE
MERRIMAC PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In making this, the 32d annual report of the Merrimac Public Library, the trustees would express to the citizens of the town, their appreciation of the increase of \$100 in the annual appropriation for library purposes.

The appropriation of \$400 this year, has enabled us to return to the plan formerly in operation, of opening the library two afternoons and evenings each week instead of only one afternoon and evening a week as last year. This, we think, is an advantage to the citizens of the town, and is appreciated by the patrons of the library. It is the wish of the trustees to make the library more of a help to our people in an educational way than it has been, and to that end would ask the co-operation of all of its patrons. In order to maintain the efficiency of the library, we would ask for an appropriation of \$400 as last year.

During the year ending Feb. 1st, the library has been opened 92 times. There have been circulated a total number of 8461 books during the year. The largest daily delivery was 180, and an average daily delivery of 92.

The following is the monthly circulation:

Feb.	617	August	543
March	840	Sept.	556
April	817	Oct.	700
May	810	Nov.	779
June	742	Dec.	645
July	595	Jan.	817

The additions for the year have been 134 volumes, viz., purchased by the trustees 93, presented by the U. S. Govt. 8, presented by the Commonwealth 27, presented by the G. A. R. 3, and by individuals 3.

We would again call attention to the exhibitions of pictures which are made occasionally in the reading room by the Massachusetts Woman's Educational Society, and which should be of interest to our people.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. W. SAWYER,
JAMES F. PEASE,
THOMAS H. HOYT,
GEORGE E. RICKER,
CHARLES W. CUTTS,
W. B. SARGENT,

Trustees.

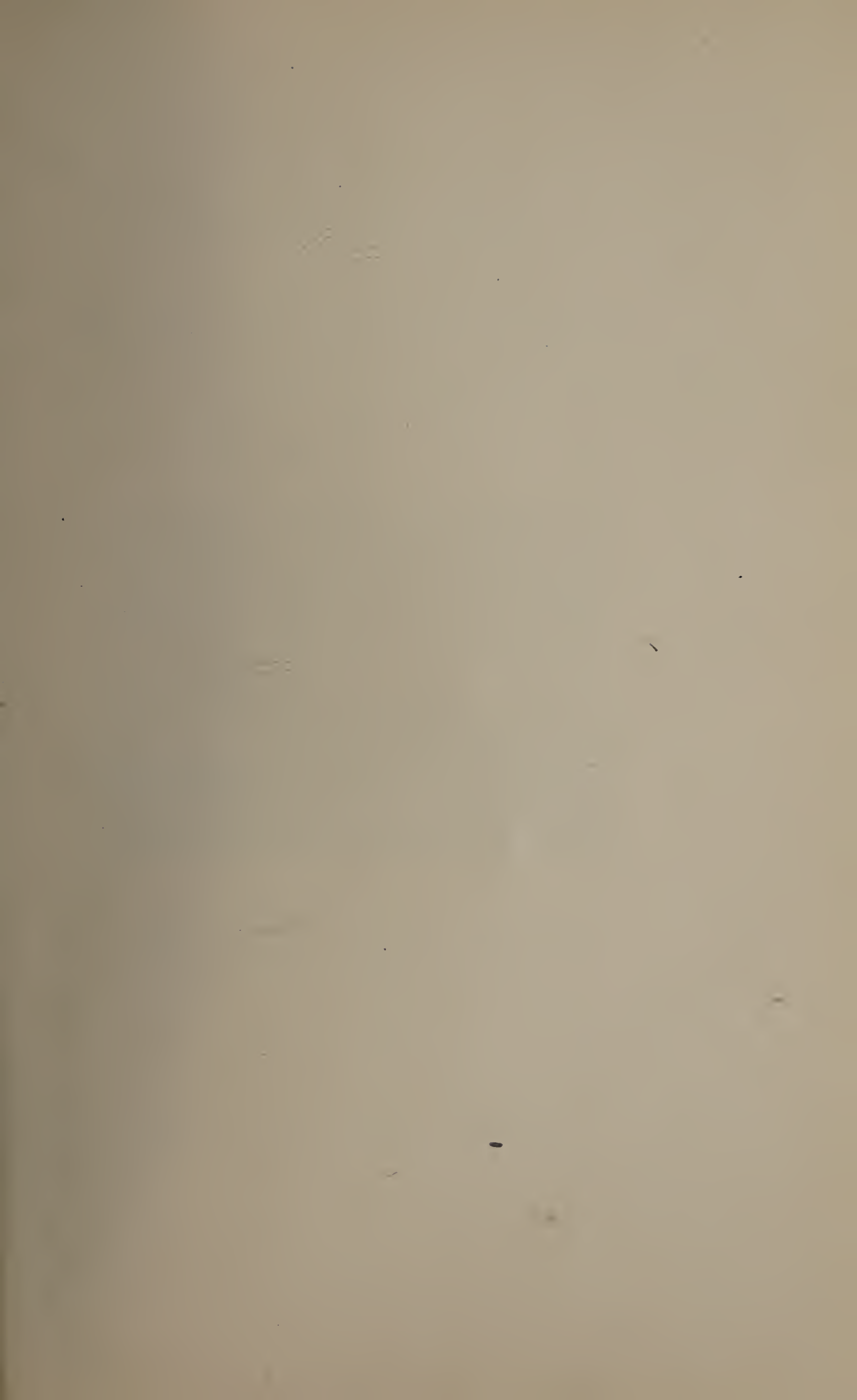
W. B. SARGENT, Secretary.

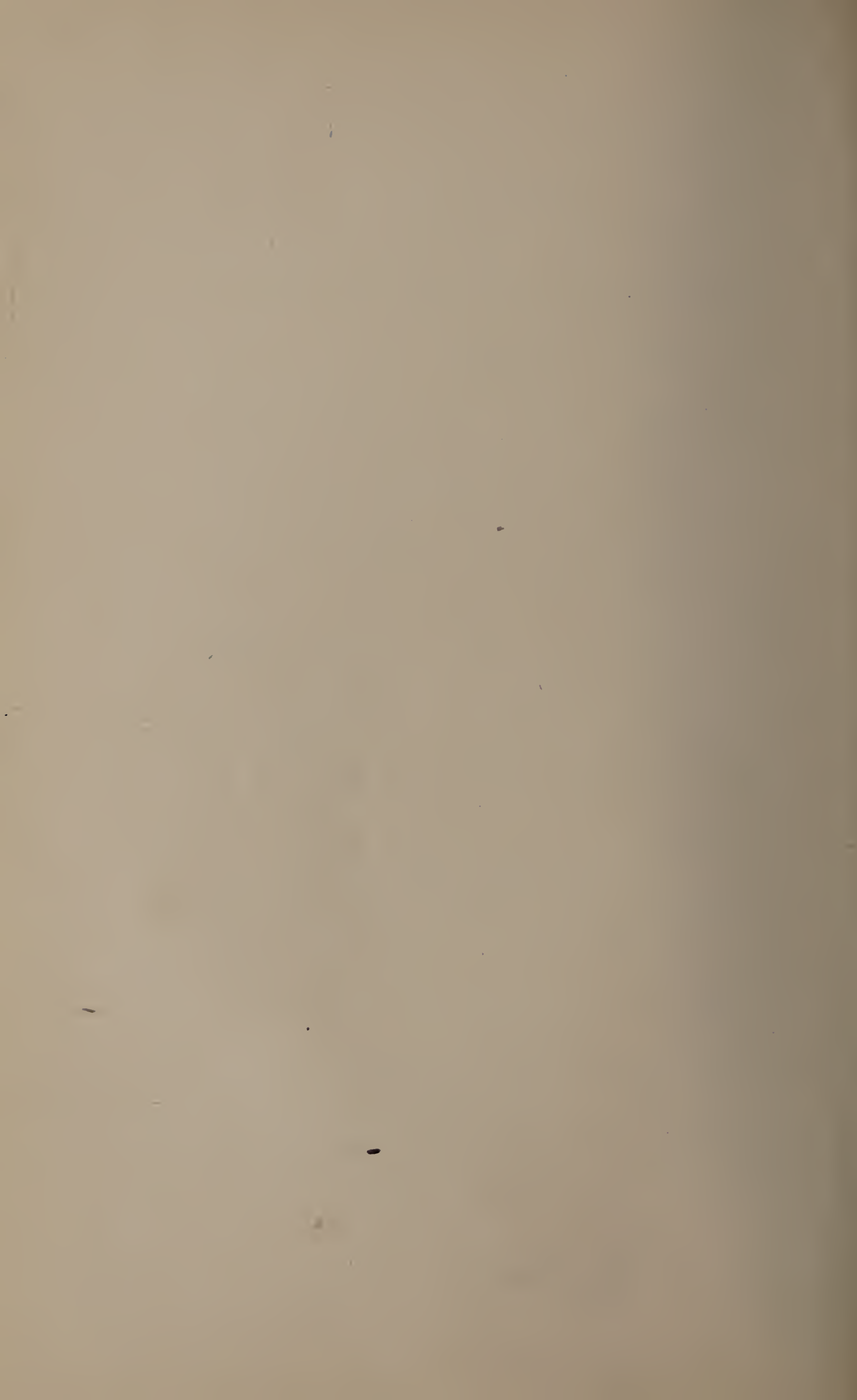
FINANCIAL ACCOUNT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Balance on hand	\$19 44	
Received for old junk	2 50	
Received for fines	23 32	
Received for catalogues	80	
Received for cards	45	
Town appropriation	400 00	
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		\$446 51
Paid for cards	\$1 00	
Heating rooms	25 00	
Magazines	27 65	
Sundries	43	
Curtains	16 00	
Librarian salary and supplies	195 95	
Printing	4 25	
Books	94 06	
Binding books and magazines	20 15	
Express and postage	9 28	
Balance	52 74	
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		\$446 51

Schedule of Property of the Merrimac Public Library
from which income is derived.

Real estate, James Whittier bequest	\$350 00
A. E. Goodwin fund, with interest to Oct., 1907	247 38





REPORT OF THE
Water Commissioners

AND



Municipal Light Board

OF THE

TOWN OF MERRIMAC.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

MERRIMAC WATER ANALYSIS. (Parts in 100,000)

1907

Subject to Correction.

Number	DATE OF Collection Exam'tion	APPEARANCE.			Residue on Evaporation	AMMONIA.		Chlorine	NITROGEN AS		Oxygen Consumed	Hardness	Iron
		Turbidity	Sediment	Color		Free	Albu- minoid		Nitrates	Nitrites			
65166	Mar. 1 2	None.	None.	.01	5.00	.0006	.0008	.46	.0330	.0000	.01	1.7	.0130
65855	May 1 3	None.	None.	.00	5.70	.0000	.0010	.50	.0450	.0000	.00	2.1	.0110
66616	June 27 28	None.	V. Slt.	.00	6.00	.0002	.0026	.43	.0710	.0000	.00	1.8	.0130
69709	Dec. 26 27	None.	V. Slt.	.00	6.90	.0002	.0010	.56	.0500	.0000	.01	2.2	.0200

No odor either cold or hot.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The Board of Water Commissioners herein submit their fourth annual report for the year ending January 31st, 1908.

We have laid 41 service pipes the past year, making a total of 332 laid to date; we have added 9 other services which makes a total of 368 water takers; there are 11 single services shut off and 5 double services where only one is being used. During the year the consumption of fuel has been $761\frac{571}{100}$ gross tons of coal and $145\frac{1200}{400}$ gross tons of screenings.

The light department proportion of the fuel oil and waste used this year is \$3,179.85, and the balance due from last year was \$762.57; the light department has paid \$3,547.63, leaving a balance due of \$394.79. The amount of water pumped in the year was 32,618,624 gallons.

The expenses on land taken for water supply have been paid in full and the amounts are shown in the financial report.

The amount received this year for the sale of water was \$3,040.73.

Estimates for the nesuing year:

CONSTRUCTION.

For service pipes, supplies and labor	\$500 00
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MAINTENANCE.

Interest on bonds	\$3,360 00
Salaries	600 00
Fuel and supplies	1,200 00
Station wages	936 00
Miscellaneous	600 00

\$7,196 00

RECEIPTS ESTIMATED.

From water takers	\$3,200 00
Due from light department	394 79
Cash on hand	50 12
Due from water takers	270 58

We recommend that the town appropriate for hydrants, watering troughs, street sprinkling, stand pipes and water in municipal buildings and balance for maintenance

3,280 51

\$7,196 00

PIPE AND FITTINGS ON HAND.

1813 lbs. 12-inch pipe	\$20 85
2800 lbs. 10-inch pipe	32 12
2160 lbs. 8-inch pipe	25 36
9010 lbs. 6-inch pipe	107 77
480 lbs. 4-inch pipe	5 00
1 6-inch tee	5 40
2 12-inch sleeves	9 60
2 10-inch sleeves	7 40
2 8-inch sleeves	6 56
3 6-inch sleeves	6 54
2 12-inch plugs	3 25
1 10-inch plug	1 29
18 6-inch plugs	11 29
1 2 way and steamer hydrant	25 72
45 ft. 1 1-2-inch service pipe, cement lined	4 50
125 ft. 1 -inch service pipe, cement lined	12 50
Service pipe fittings	25 00

\$310 15

CONSTRUCTION.

SERVICE PIPE.

A. G. Sturdivant, trucking,	\$3 15
Bion Green, agent, freight,	6 72
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe and fittings,	352 38
Am. Express Co., expressage,	2 20
G. G. Davis, team for the year,	151 21
Coffin Valve Co., service boxes,	52 50
E. W. Roberts & Co., cement,	4 63
Taylor Goodwin & Co., cement,	1 50
W. C. Bennett, stock and labor,	11 96
O. F. Bennett, stock and labor,	3 42
I. B. Little Co., supplies,	1 34
G. W. J. Murphy Co., supplies,	3 35
Jonah & George, supplies,	3 49
E. F. Goodwin, labor,	199 08
William Morrow, labor,	145 23
D. C. Bunker, labor,	63 77
F. Smith, labor,	22 56
A. G. Flower, labor,	19 55
G. H. Gilday, labor,	11 00
L. Swett, labor,	2 67
J. Coty, labor,	10 22
H. F. Bailey, labor,	4 11
W. Deland, labor,	4 11
J. A. Currier, labor,	8 33
G. Talbot, labor,	2 88
M. Bailey, labor,	27 11
E. Bushong, labor,	18 88

\$1,137 35

METERS.

National Meter Co., 25 meters,	\$275 00	
National Meter Co., meter connections	10 00	
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EXPENSE ON LAND TAKEN FOR WATER SUPPLY.

Hurlbut, Jones & Cabot, balance for services,	\$530 55	
H. J. Bartlett (Atty.), balance on Little's land,	8 00	
H. J. Bartlett (Atty.), expense on Sargent land,	1,373 68	
T. H. Hoyt (Atty.), services as counsel,	427 56	
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MAINTENANCE.

FUEL.

H. L. Taylor & Co.—		
19 440-2240 gross tons coal at \$4.60	\$88 41	
Sargent Coal Co.—		
72 1700-2240 gross tons coal at \$5.22	380 28	
145 320-2240 gross tons coal at \$5.20	755 27	
238 1505-2240 gross tons coal at \$5.35	1,276 51	
48 480-2240 gross tons coal at \$5.40	260 33	
16 1640-2240 gross tons coal at \$5.25	87.85	
240 300-2240 gross tons coal at \$5.50	1,320 72	
112 1635-2240 gross tons screenings at \$2.40	268 83	

42 1050-2240 gross tons screenings at	
\$2.80	118 95
J. T. Crosby, hauling coal,	8 00
Bion Green, agent, freight,	13 44
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	\$4,578 59
Less unpaid coal bill,	795 77
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	\$3,782 82

OIL AND WASTE.

F. H. Little Oil Co., oil,	\$33 72
G. P. Anderson, Oil and waste,	180 38
A. H. Sturdivant, trucking,	2 35
Bion Green, agent, freight,	4 39
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	\$220 84

REPAIRING ROAD AT STATION.

E. F. Goodwin, labor,	\$5 76
William Morrow, labor,	5 76
D. C. Bunker, labor,	1 78
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	\$13 30

REPAIRING HYDRANTS.

Am. Express Co., expressage,	\$1 85
E. F. Goodwin, labor,	10 90
William Morrow, labor,	4 22
D. C. Bunker, labor,	3 33
O. F. Bennett, stock and labor,	2 25
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	\$22 55

MISCELLANEOUS.

G. W. England, machine work,	\$0 20
American Express Co., expressage,	4 55
National Meter Co., bases and gaskets,	10 75

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Neptune Meter Co., bases,	2 10
Coffin Valve Co., service box caps,	1 80
N. E. Tel & Tel. Co., telephone and rental,	38 66
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies,	3 33
G. E. Ricker, stamps and box rent,	25 37
Merrimac Budget, 5000 envelopes,	10 00
Merrimac Budget, books,	26 50
F. C. Williams, repair tools,	2 85
Bion Green, agent, freight,	5 63
H. H. Story, supplies,	8 78
Goodwin & Co., supplies,	3 25
Little & Co., supplies,	80
E. W. Roberts, repairs on boilers,	15 31
Sargent Coal Co., wood for office,	3 50
Sargent Coal Co., coal for office,	14 00
S. C. Pease & Sons, batteries for telemeter,	1 50
I. B. Little Co., supplies,	4 92
W. W. Gormley, repair tools,	1 25
A. G. Sturdivant, trucking,	1 50
F. L. Parker, "First Aid to the Injured,"	6 50
G. P. Anderson, supplies,	75 68
Dean Steam Pump Co., vacuum valves,	3 51
E. H. Alexander, fire brick and clay,	18 00
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies,	20
Zenas Lovell & Co., supplies,	8 72
Mrs. W. W. Lydston, supplies,	26
Scannell Boiler Co., mouth pieces for boiler,	55 58
Scannell Boiler Co., gaskets,	4 50
Scannell Boiler Co., door linings,	6 60
C. E. Roberts, insurance on boilers,	80 00

\$446 10

WAGES AT STATION.

E. L. White, engineer,	\$594 00
T. C. Story, engineer,	349 71

\$943 71

SALARIES.

W. A. Bailey, superintendent,	600 00	
E. D. George, superintendent, 15 days,	25 00	
W. A. Bailey, water commissioner,	12 50	
Geo. T. Walker, water commissioner,	12 50	
	<hr/>	\$650 00

INTEREST.

J. C. Pease, treasurer, interest on bonds,	\$3,360 00	
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Total payment for maintenance,		\$9,439 32
Total payment for land taken for water supply,		2,339 79
Total payment for construction,		1,422 35
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		\$13,201 46
Cash on hand,		50 12
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		\$13,251 58

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1907,	\$291 36
Received balance of note from town,	2,500 00
Acct., hydrant appropriation,	1,775 00
Acct., hydrant appropriation overdraft,	50 00
Acct., maintenance appropriation,	1,457 93
Interest on note,	113 26
From water takers,	3,038 73
For filling cisterns,	2 00
Light department for fuel, oil, and waste,	3,547 63
Light department acct., team and labor,	65 97
Light department acct., office expense,	47 55

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From property owners' acct., laying service pipes,	337 30
Public library, balance for heating,	11 00
For sale of scrap iron,	1 00
For sale of gravel,	2 30
From T. H. Hoyt, refund,	4 00
From telephoning at station,	4 55
For sale of oil barrels,	2 00
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	\$13,251 58

CR.

Balance due from water takers	\$270 58
Balance due from light dept. account, fuel	394 79
Cash on hand	50 12
232 1334 tons coal at \$5.50	1,279 92
10 tons screenings at \$2.40	24 00
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	\$2,019 41

DR.

Unpaid bill for fuel	\$795 77
Overdraft	50 00
Other outstanding bills estimated	87 00
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	\$932 77
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	\$1,086 64

COST OF CONSTRUCTION.

Cost of construction to Jan. 31, 1907.	Cost of construction to Jan. 31, 1908.		Total.
Pumping station,	\$6,631 74	.....	\$6,631 74
Boilers,	3,473 70	.....	3,473 70
Pumping machinery,	5,889 06	.....	5,889 06
Coal shed,	339 60	.....	339 60
Building road to station,	272 00	.....	272 00
Suction pipe system,	2,369 86	.....	2,369 86
Pipe line	24,778 33	.....	24,778 33
Pipe laying,	11,982 03	.....	11,982 03
Cleaning ground,	620 08	.....	620 08
Standpipe,	6,165 21	.....	6,165 21
Expense Investigating Com.	2,344 12	.....	2,344 12
Service pipe, fittings and la- bor, less credit rec'd from abutters,	3,830 79	\$800 05	4,630 34
Meters,	2,749 90	285 00	3,034 90
Engineering,	3,000 00	.....	3,000 00
Express and freight,	245 99	.....	245 99
Salaries,	1,500 00	.....	1,500 00
Miscellaneous,	961 93	961 93
Expenses on land taken for water supply,	1,139 55	2,335 79	3,475 34
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	\$78,293 89	\$3,420 84	\$81,714 73

CHARLES A. LANCASTER,
 GEORGE T. WALKER,
 WARREN A. BAILEY,
 Board of Water Commissioners,

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD.

The Municipal Light Board herein submit their fourth annual report for the year ending January 31st, 1908.

The additions to the plant this year have been 4 street lights, for which appropriations were made at the annual meeting. We have also added 5 commercial light services and had one burned out, leaving a total of 64, and 6 power services, making a total of 10. The additions to the plant being much larger than was anticipated or provided for in the appropriations, necessitated an overdraft for construction. Furnishing more power and light called for a larger consumption of fuel, and this with the increased cost, caused an overdraft for maintenance.

Last year it was recommended that the town install another engine, generator exciter switch-board, and a pair of wires for the power circuit; it became evident early in the year that this would have to be done, and we petitioned the Selectmen to call a special town meeting which was done, and the meeting was held and it was voted to raise \$6,000 by issuing this town's notes. This was changed at a later meeting to one note for \$6,000 for one year.

We received the following bids for the engine:

The Ridgway Dynamo & Engine Co., \$1,625.00.

The Ames Engine Co., \$1,925.00.

The contract was awarded to the Ridgway Dynamo and Engine Co.

For the generator exciter switch-board and wiring station:

Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., \$3,100.00, complete.

Crocker Wheeler Company, for the generator exciter and switch-board, \$1,970.00.

General Electric Company, for the generator exciter and switch-board, \$2,015.00.

The contract was awarded to the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

For running the pair of power wires, we received one bid of \$450.00 from James Dickens.

The contract was awarded to Mr. Dickens.

For foundation for the engine we received one bid of \$65.00 from E. W. Roberts.

The contract was awarded to Mr. Roberts.

The contracts for piping the engine and for the belts have not yet been awarded

In compliance with the law, the Manager has furnished the Board with the following estimates of the income and expense for the ensuing, viz:

Payment of bond	\$500.00
Interest on bond	380 00
Interest on note	330 00
Depreciation	555 56
Loss in operating the plant last year	581 14

Gross expense of operating, maintenance and repairs of plant	4,850 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,196 70
Income from private consumers		4,200 00
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		\$2,996 70

The above amount of \$2,996.70 is the sum required by law to be included by the town in its annual appropriation for maintenance in the tax levy for the ensuing year.

As the plant shows a loss in operating, and the rates charged for light and power are very unsatisfactory, we recommend that the town, at its next annual meeting, appoint a committee of four, to act with the Municipal Light Board, for the purpose of making such changes in the rates charged for light and power as may seem necessary for the best interests of the town and the light and power takers. This committee, to report at an adjourned meeting.

CONSTRUCTION.

STREET LINES.

Stuart Howland & Co., 1924 lbs, No. 6 wire, 7 reels,	\$481 53
Stuart Howland & Co., 165 glass insulators,	4 95
Amesbury Electric Light Co., labor of line- men, .	6 00
James Dickens, labor of linemen and supplies,	69 03
Town of Groveland, 10 poles,	40 00
E. C. Emerson, hauling poles,	11 50
James Dickens, 504 lbs. No. 6 wire, 2 reels,	130 00
Water Department, team and labor,	30 97
A. G. Sturdivant, trucking,	3 25
Bion Green, agent, freight,	50
I. B. Little Co., supplies,	2 04
C. S. Knowles, 15 lbs. tape,	3 75
American Express Co., expressage,	30
L. M. Swett, labor,	2 11

\$785 93

TRANSFORMERS.

James Dickens, 2-1 k. w. transformers,	\$52.56
James Dickens, 1-10 k. w. transformer, sup- plies and labor,	107 45
James Dickens, 2-10 k. w. transformers,	199 20
James Dickens, 2-5 k. w. transformers,	119 20
James Dickens, 1-5 k. w. transformer,	51 45
James Dickens, repairing 1-10 k. w. trans- former,	49 50
James Dickens, freight,	4 56

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James Dickens, 2-4 k. w. transformers,	103 20	
James Dickens, 2-3 k. w. transformers,	84 60	
A. G. Sturdivant, trucking,	1 85	
Bion Green, agent, freight,	13 03	
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		\$786 60

METERS.

James Dickens, 1-5 amp., meter, 2 phase,	\$35 28	
James Dickens, 2-20 amp., meters, 200 v.,	84 77	
James Dickens, 1-80 amp., meter, 200 v.,	56 10	
James Dickens, 1-20 amp., meter, 2 phase,	43 25	
James Dickens, 2-5 amp., meters,	25 02	
James Dickens, 1-20 amp., meter,	18 02	
James Dickens, repairing meter,	2 00	
Bion Green, agent, freight,	1 90	
American Express Co., expressage,	1 25	
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		\$267 59
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		\$1,840 12

NEW ENGINE, DYNAMO, ETC.

Ridgway Dynamo & Engine Co., on acc	\$812 50.,	
Bion Green, agent, freight,	47 94	
E. W. Roberts, on acc.,	40 00	
James Dickens, on acc.,	350 00	
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		\$1,250 44
Balance,		4,749 56
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		\$6,000 00
Appropriation,	\$6,000 00	
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		\$6,000 00

MAINTENANCE.

FUEL.

Water Works, fuel,	\$3,393 32	
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OIL AND WASTE.

Water Works, oil and waste,	\$154 31	
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REPAIRING STEAM PLANT.

Ridgway Dynamo & Engine Co., inertia arm,	\$45 00	
Ridgway Dynamo & Engine Co., piston rod,	21 25	
Ridgway Dynamo & Engine Co., valve stem,	3 25	
Garlock Packing Co., metallic packing,	5 44	
Clark Packing Co., metallic packing,	19 85	
American Express Co., express,	12 38	
G. W. England, machine work,	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$108 17

REPAIRING ELECTRIC PLANT.

James Dickens, brushes and supplies,	\$6 70	
I. B. Little Co., supplies,	77	
	<hr/>	\$7 47

STATION WAGES.

W. A. Barbeau, engineer,	\$758 36	
E. L. White, engineer,	36 75	
C. E. Colman, engineer,	12 50	
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		\$807 61

DISTRIBUTION TOOLS.

I. B. Little Co., tools,	\$2 77	
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		\$2 77

REPAIRING LINES AND CARE OF LAMPS.

Water Works, team and labor,	\$35 00	
Bion Green, agent, freight,	26	
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		\$35 26

INCANDESCENT LAMPS.

James Dickens, 100-16 c. p. lamps,	\$12 00	
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		\$12 00

INTEREST.

J. C. Pease, treasurer, interest on bonds,	\$390 00	
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		\$390 00

BOND.

J. C. Pease, treasurer, bond No. 3,	\$500 00	
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		\$500 00

GENERAL SALARIES.

W. A. Bailey, manager,	\$300 00	
W. A. Bailey, commissioner,	12 50	
Geo. T. Walker, commissioner,	12 50	
E. D. George, manager,	16 67	
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OFFICE.

James Dickens, supplies,	\$3 05	
Geo. E. Ricker, stamps,	2 00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephoning,	2 94	
H. C. Manning, repairing clock,	1 50	
Merrimac Budget, ledger,	15 00	
W. H. Scott, car fare and expense,	10 00	
Merrimac Budget, printing,	4 30	
A. P. Heath, supplies,	1 85	
Water Department, heat, stamps, etc.,	47 55	
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INSURANCE.

Bailey Sargent, employers and public,	\$100 00	
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Total payments for maintenance,		\$5,940 77
Total payments for construction,		1,840 12
Total payments on new installation,		1,250 44
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		\$9,031 33

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand January 31st, 1907,	\$4 76
Appropriations for construction,	\$652 00
Appropriation for bond payment,	500 00
Appropriation for interest,	390 00
Appropriation for depreciation,	462 87
Appropriation for maintenance as a balance,	442 54
Received for light and power,	4,179 29
Received from N E. Tel. & Tel. Co., for pole rental,	4 20
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	\$6,635 66
Received on appropriation for new installation,	1,250 44
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	\$7,886 10
Overdrawn,	1,145 23
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	\$9,031 33

-COST OF CONSTRUCTION.

	To Jan. 31, 1907.	For the year ending Jan. 31, 1908.	Total.
Steam plant,	\$ 1,408 89	\$ 900 44	\$2,309 33
Electric plant,	1,261 34	.....	1,261 34
Street lines,	10,306 49	1,135 93	11,442 42
Transformers,	1,471 55	786 60	2,258 15
Meters,	979 73	267 59	1,247 32
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	\$15,428 00	\$3,090 56	\$18,518 56

WIRE AND MATERIAL ON HAND.

200 lbs. No. 4 wire	\$50 00
175 lbs. No. 10 wire	22 75
75 lbs. No. 6 wire	18 23
80 lbs. guy wire	3 20
61 16 candle power lamps	7 32
23 25 candle power lamps	8 63
800 feet cross arms	32 00
Braces, pins, etc.	28 50
7 reels	14 00
1 10 K. W. transformer	99 60
Other material	20 00
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	\$304 23

CHARLES A. LANCASTER,
GEORGE T. WALKER,
WARREN A. BAILEY.

Municipal Light Board,

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the accounts of the Assessors, Selectmen, Tax Collector, Light Department, Water Department, School Department, and Treasurer, for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1908, and find them correct.

The statement below is the amount of orders drawn, paid, and outstanding as shown by the books.

Amount of outstanding orders per last report, \$502 25

Total orders drawn this year :

Selectmen,	\$48,873 47	
Light Department,	9,031 33	
Water Department,	13,201 46	
School Department,	10,229 02	
	<hr/>	\$81,335 28
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		\$81,837 53

Paid by Treasurer :

Orders outstanding last year,	\$502 25	
Orders of this year,		
Selectmen,	48,765 47	
Light Department,	9,018 83	
Water Department,	13,188 70	
School Department,	10,198 49	
	<hr/>	81,673 74
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Total of outstanding orders, \$163 79

Memorandum of orders outstanding :

Selectmen's Dept.

No. 1295,	\$25 00
No. 1289,	16 00
No. 1244,	1 00
No. 1233,	50 00
No. 1198,	16 00

Light Dept.

No. 382,	12 50
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Water Dept.

No. 779,	26
No. 784,	12 50

School Dept.

No. 372,	30 53
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\$163 79

F. C. GRANT, Auditor.

Merrimac, Mass., February 15, 1908.

ARTICLES IN WARRANT
FOR THE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,
MONDAY, MARCH 2, 1908.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To give in their votes on one ballot for Town Clerk. One Selectman, who will be Assessor and Overseer of the Poor, for three years. Treasurer. Collector of Taxes. Two School Committee Men, one for the unexpired term of two years and one for three years. One trustee of Cemetery for three years. Two trustees of the Public Library for three years. Two Commissioners of the Water Board, One for the unexpired term of two years, one for three years. Two Commissioners of the Municipal Light Board, one for the unexpired term of two years and one for three years. Three Constables. Three Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark. Three Fence Viewers. Three Field Drivers. One Tree Warden. One Auditor of Accounts; Also to give in their votes on the same ballots YES or NO, on the question, Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? In voting under this article the polls will be open at six in the forenoon and may be closed at two o'clock in the afternoon.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the time for the payment of taxes and what discount if any the town will allow for the prompt payment of taxes, also to fix the compensation of the Collector.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will authorize its Collector of taxes to use all means of collecting taxes which a town treasurer may use when appointed a collector of taxes in accordance with section 78, chapter 25, of the Revised laws.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to accept the jury list as revised by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 6. To determine what sum of money shall be raised to defray necessary and usual charges and expenses of the town for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow during the municipal year beginning February 1st, in anticipation of the collection of taxes of said year such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the dates thereof. All debts incurred under authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

ARTICLE 8. To see what action the town will take in regard to fixing the salaries of Town Officers.

ARTICLE 9. To see what action the town will take in regard to charging interest on uncollected taxes.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to end its fiscal year December 31st instead of Jan. 31st. and begin January 1st.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to tile the brook from Church St. to Walkers Shop, and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to purchase the two lots of land adjoining Prospect St. school lot, and make appropriation for the same.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to have the wood work on the exterior of the Town Hall Building painted, and make appropriation for the same.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 for sanitary improvement at the Centre School House.

ARTICLE 15. On petition of John B. Judkins, and 17 others to see if the town will instruct the Municipal Light Board to locate and maintain two electric lights on Judkins Court, so called and make an appropriation for the same.

ARTICLE 16. On petition of Walter K. Deland and 10 others to see if the town will instruct the Municipal Light Board to locate and maintain a light on the highway near the residence of Laban M. Bailey at Merrimacport, and make appropriation for the same.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will adopt the following or similar by-law: The Selectmen may license suitable persons as junk collectors, to collect by purchase or otherwise, junk, old metals, and second-hand articles, from place to place in the town of Merrimac; and all articles of merchandise in any place, vehicle, or receptacle used for the collection or keeping of the aforesaid articles may be examined at all times by the Selectmen or by any person by them authorized thereto. This by-law is made by authority of Chapter 102 of the Revised Laws, as amended by Chapter 187 of the Acts of 1902.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will appoint a committee of four to act with the Municipal Light Board in making an investigation in regard to the operation of the light and power plant, cost of producing and price of light and power, and such other matters as may be deemed necessary, and to report thereon to the town at an adjournment of this meeting or at some future meeting.

ARTICLE 19. To see what action, if any, the town will take in regard to report of Henry E. Woods, Commissioner of Public Records (as per letter in town report).

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to apply a substance to alleviate the dust nuisance, at the square, and such parts of Main Street as may seem advisable, and make appropriation for the same.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will at this meeting, appoint a committee to bring in a list of names for Town Officers to be voted on at the caucus for the nomination of Town Officers for 1909, and also to determine the manner of voting for candidates at all future caucuses for the nomination of Town Officers.

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